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ON ITS PROPOSED LISTING OF PAGEL'S PIT ON
THE SUPERFUND NATIONAL PRIORITIES LIST
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#### Introduction

The following comments are submitted on behalf of Winnebago Reclamation Service, Inc. in response to EPA's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking published in the Federal Register on October 15, 1984, 49 Fed. Reg. 40320. Pagel's Pit (Pagel's) is a land disposal site located approximately 5 miles south of Rockford, Illinois, in a rural unincorporated area of Winnebago County. The facility is licensed by the Illinois EPA for solid waste disposal. EPA proposes to add Pagel's to the National Priorities List (NPL) issued under the authority of Section 105(8) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980. Winnebago Reclamation Service, Inc. is the owner and operator of this facility. These comments are directed to EPA's proposal to include it on the NPL.

The NPL is supposed to contain those sites "that appear to present a significant risk to public health or the environment".

49 Fed. Reg. 40320 (Oct. 15, 1984). EPA concluded that Pagel's is such a site based on a projected score under the Hazard Ranking System of 42.47. This score is higher than the 31.98 assigned to the nearby upgradient Acme Solvents site, a solvents reclaiming and disposal facility using unlined lagoons, which appeared on both the Interim Priority List and the first formal National Priorities List. Since its inception in 1972, Pagel's has been permitted as a solid waste disposal facility by the Illinois EPA

(IEPA) and has operated in compliance with that permit. It was designed and built with a state-of-the-art liner and leachate collection system. It has never been charged with any violation of any federal, state, or local environmental protection law or regulation. We have been advised that of all of the NPL sites listed or proposed in Illinois, this is the only one not recommended by the State for listing.

Yet under EPA's scoring, Pagel's is considered a greater public health hazard than the Acme site, which is 12 years older than Pagel's, never had a permit, and was closed for failure to comply with environmental requirements. In addition, Acme disposed of primarily hazardous materials, and it did so by dumping uncontainerized liquid solvents and sludges with high concentrations of heavy metals into unlined lagoons with direct access to groundwater. EPA's ranking of Pagel's is premised upon the theory that Pagel's is leaking and that a plume of groundwater contamination is flowing from the facility into the aquifer beneath it where it is interacting with the plume originating at Acme. (E.C. Jordan Final Remedial Investigation Study for the Acme Solvents Superfund Site, Vol. I, Sept. 1984, Figure 32.)

Thus the inference of an "observed release" from Pagel's as a separate source has been

This study is cited hereinafter as "E.C. Jordan Final". A draft of this report dated July, 1984, was cited and relied upon by EPA in its HRS evaluation of Pagel's, which was dated June 11, 1984, and hence inexplicably purports to have been completed prior to the existence of the report on which it relied. The final report became available in September. We did not receive a copy of that final report until late November and have not yet received a final copy of the Appendix to the report, although we have requested a copy.

drawn even though the compounds in question are known to be spreading from Acme, merely because Pagel's is in the vicinity.

That theory is not supported by the administrative record. First, there is no empirical evidence that Pagel's liner has leaked. Second, even in its current state, the record indicates that a more plausible theory is that Acme is the sole source of the observed contamination in the area. The available data (including hydrogeologic, groundwater quality, and leachate quality data) indicate that Acme Solvents is the major contributor, and possibly the only contributor, to groundwater contamination in the area. These data indicate that strong downward groundwater gradients beneath Acme allow for downward movement of contaminants from that site within the groundwater system. Relative densities of chlorinated hydrocarbons compared to water may also account for this downward movement of the contaminants where the contaminants are high enough in concentration to remain undissolved or partially dissolved. As groundwater moves westward from Acme towards Pagel's, the vertical groundwater gradients change to predominantly lateral flow, and then flow upwards towards Pagel's in response to local hydrogeologic conditions. In particular, the bedrock turns downward in the vicinity of Pagel's, and the groundwater at that point flows into sandy soils as it approaches Pagel's.

The limited data from monitoring wells between the two sites is consistent with this analysis. Shallow wells between the two sites are generally uncontaminated, while deeper domestic wells in the same area are contaminated, reflecting the presence of the

contaminated plume. In addition, biodegradation of volatile organic contaminants within the groundwater system from beneath Acme, discussed more fully below, provides a reasonable explanation for the transformation of primary contaminants from Acme to degradation products which appear in the vicinity of Pagel's. While the presence of different chemicals may give the initial appearance of indicating distinct plumes, the biodegradation relationships between the two sets of chemicals, discussed below, is consistent with the theory of long-term movement of a single plume originating from beneath the Acme site, coupled with slow biodegradation as the contaminants move westward towards Pagel's.

Engineering, Inc. to conduct additional groundwater sampling and analysis in the area between the Acme and Pagel's locations and in the immediate vicinity of Pagel's. This study is expected to be completed by mid-February, 1985, and should provide additional important data concerning groundwater flow and plume analysis. We will submit the results of that study to EPA as soon as it is completed, and we ask EPA not to include Pagel's on any NPL at least until the results of that study have been carefully reviewed and analyzed. Meanwhile, recognizing that Pagel's is in the vicinity of a 24-year-old known pollution source for some or all of the contaminants of concern, absent evidence of a plume emanating from Pagel's, an HRS score based upon an observed release is unwarranted.

Re-ranking Pagel's on the basis of route characteristics and containment criteria, rather than observed release, results in a

Hazard Ranking Score of, at best 0, and at worst 10.53. Either score is well below the current 28.50 cut-off and is consistent with current conditions at the site. Pagel's should therefore be taken off the proposed NPL update.

## I. DESCRIPTION OF PAGEL'S PIT SITE, ACME SITE, AND PROPOSED NPL LISTING OF PAGEL'S.

#### A. The Pagel's Pit Site.

Prior to its development as a sanitary landfill, the area comprising what is now Pagel's Pit contained a sand and gravel pit and a dolomite quarry. It was converted into a landfill area in response to Winnebago County's need for an environmentally sound solid waste disposal area. From its inception, the site was conceived and operated as a non-hazardous waste disposal area. Contrary to the statements on EPA's HRS cover sheet, no landfill operations were conducted at the site prior to 1972.

Pagel's was constructed with the full knowledge and close cooperation of the Illinois EPA and the active encouragement of the local community. The landfill consists of a large basin, much like a large bathtub. (Appendix A, Photographs 1 and 2). \*\* The basin is lined with a high-integrity asphalt liner system which was constructed in the following manner. The subbase of the landfill was leveled and covered with compacted road stone. This material was then primed and covered with two inches of asphaltic

Referenced photographs showing the various states of construction are included in Appendix A.

concrete, creating a permeability rating of 1 x 10<sup>-7</sup> cm/sec.

(Appendix A, Photographs 3, 4, 5, and 6). This asphalt liner was covered in turn with a cationic coal tar sealer to further reduce permeability to approximately 1 x 10<sup>-9</sup>. (Appendix A, Photographs 7, 8, 9, and 10.) This is a well recognized, widely used, and highly effective type of liner, as discussed below at pp. 27-28. The asphaltic concrete provides a stable base to which the cationic coal tar sealer binds permanently. Bound to the asphaltic concrete base in this manner, the sealer cannot move or crack.

A leachate collection system was also installed to remove any liquid which was generated by or found its way into the landfill from the surface of the liner. The cationic coal tar sealer was covered with six to eight inches of sand. A series of six-inch leachate collection pipes was then installed, and covered with an additional two to three inches of sand and tires for protection. (Appendix A, Photographs 12 and 13). The leachate which was so collected was initially drained into leachate tanks, which were later replaced by ponds located in the middle of the landfill within the liner, and 40 to 60 feet above it. Pumps placed at regular intervals in manholes on the floor of the liner remove leachate to these ponds. The leachate which flows into the leachate ponds through this system is trucked off-site for disposal to the Sanitary District of Rockford.

The State of Illinois issued Permit #1972-24 authorizing operation of the site as a solid waste disposal site to Pagel's Pit on April 7, 1972. A copy of that permit is attached hereto as Appendix B. The site opened on July 17, 1972, after the

construction and installation of the asphaltic cement with coal tar sealer liner.

Pagel's has been operated in compliance with the letter and spirit of this permit and Illinois law throughout its history. From the outset, the operators of the facility have kept in close communication with the Illinois EPA to make sure that no wastes were accepted at the site which were hazardous or which would damage the facility. Whenever the facility operators had a question concerning the acceptability of certain wastes, a supplemental permit for special wastes was requested from the Illinois EPA as required by Illinois law. 4 The requests were accompanied by a description of the chemical composition of the material in question. A number of such permits were issued which were never used, apparently due to the generator's decision, after inquiry, to take the wastes elsewhere. The operators of the facility in each case advised the Illinois EPA that it would not accept any wastes which IEPA regarded as inappropriate for disposal there. No "special wastes", defined under Illinois law to include hazardous or industrial wastes, were accepted without a supplemental permit from IEPA authorizing acceptance. Throughout its

See Appendix C hereto, Affidavit of Charles J. Howard, President, Winnebago Reclamation Service, Inc., ¶ 2 and Exhibit 1 (hereinafter "Howard Aff.").

A number of such permits are contained in the EPA list of references supporting the Pagel's HRS ranking as Ref. No. 3.

Howard Aff., ¶ 4 and Exhibit 2.

operation, Pagel's has maintained complete records of materials accepted under such permits.

In 1980, several domestic wells to the east of the Pagel's site (towards Acme) were found to contain high concentrations of volatile organic chemicals. A field investigation by IEPA attributed the cause of this pollution to the Acme Solvents site rather than to Pagel's. Winnebago Reclamation nonetheless undertook the task of providing the affected residents with bottled drinking water as a "good neighbor" gesture because no one else came forward to do so.

In short, this is not an abandoned hazardous waste disposal site. It is a carefully managed and properly licensed solid waste disposal facility. It was established in response to requests by the community, including the City of Rockford, for just such a facility, and it serves a number of valuable and necessary functions for the community. It has an enviable record of environmental compliance and close cooperation with state and local authorities. There is no direct evidence of any environmental contamination emanating from this facility.

However, this facility has the bad luck to be located down-gradient from the nearby Acme Solvents site, a heavily contaminated and leaking Superfund site. It is to that site that we next turn.

This is documented in a sampling and analysis report by Warzyn Engineering dated April 28, 1980, and an IEPA memorandum dated August 14, 1981. Copies of both are attached hereto as Appendix D.

#### B. The Acme Solvents Site.

The Acme Solvents site is located to the east of Pagel's Pit. across Lindenwood Road. (E.C. Jordan Final, Fig. 2). It is a twenty-acre site which was operated as a disposal facility from 1960 until 1973. Spent solvents and sludges from the company's solvent distillation units in Rockford were dumped into seven open, unlined lagoons on the site. These materials contained high concentrations of heavy metals such as arsenic, chromium, lead, cadmium, and copper, and volatile organic chemicals such as methyl ethyl ketone, toluene, zylene, trichloroethylene, and trichloroethane. Between 10,000 and 15,000 drums were stored in various locations around the site. (Remedial Action Master Plan, Acme Solvent Reclaiming Site, Weston, February 1983; EPA list of references supporting the Pagel's HRS, Item 7 at 2-1 and 2-7, hereinafter cited as RAMP ; E.C. Jordan Final at 9). During the height of its operation, Acme was disposing of between 450 and 600 gallons of waste per day. (E.C. Jordan Final at 9).

This site, by contrast with Pagel's, never had an IEPA permit. Indeed, IEPA's first contact with the site was an inspection in February of 1972 in response to a report filed by an area game biologist. On September 25, 1982, Acme was formally charged with a number of environmental violations at a hearing before the Illinois Pollution Control Board. As a result of the hearing, Acme agreed to begin remedial actions to clean up the site including (1) drainage and off-site disposal of materials in the lagoons; (2) removal of all 55-gallon drums to an EPA-approved landfill;

and (3) filling the storage lagoons with clean fill. (RAMP at 2-1, 2-2; E.C. Jordan Final at 2). Instead, Acme backfilled the lagoons without removing the contents and crushed and buried the majority of drums on-site. (Id.). This uncontrolled waste disposal resulted in the formation of a contaminated groundwater plume moving to the west of the site and contamination of domestic water supply wells along Lindenwood Road and the accumulation of approximately 27,000 cubic yards of contaminated soils. (Ecology and Environment, Inc., Field Investigation of Uncontrolled Hazardous Waste Site - Extent of Groundwater Contamination - Acme Solvents Pagel's Pit Area near Morristown, Il., Task Report to EPA, March 1983, at 40-42, EPA list of references supporting the Pagel's HRS, Item 1, hereinafter cited as "E&E at \_\_\_\_"; see also Appendix D hereto).

As a result of the discovery in 1980 of contaminated domestic wells, EPA undertook a series of investigations to determine the extent of the groundwater contamination at the Acme site. A geologic study showed Acme perched on an area of relatively shallow and exposed bedrock overlain by gravelly sand. The bedrock was found to be deeply weathered and, where exposed, extensively fractured. Subsurface conditions were similar, "competent zones were found to overlie weathered and highly fractured zones". (E.C. Jordan Final at 31). The bedrock plunges steeply to the northwest beneath Pagel's Pit. The area beneath Pagel's on a horizontal level with the bedrock beneath Acme is filled with clayey and granular deposits. (Id.).

Groundwater flow in the area was determined to be east to west (from Acme towards Pagel's), with some localized north and

south currents flowing away from the Acme site resulting from groundwater mounding caused by disposal activities and recharge from a nearby creek. (E.C. Jordan Final at 40). The shallow aquifers in this area are hydrologically connected to the deeper highly productive sandstone aquifers providing the water supply for large industrial and municipal wells in the Rockford vicinity. (RAMP at 2-5).

The contaminated private water supply wells are located between Acme and Pagel's along Lindenwood Road, downgradient from Acme. In 1982, Ecology and Environment, Inc., an EPA contractor, installed 17 monitoring wells in and around the Acme site. (E&E at 13). In 1983, E.C. Jordan, another EPA engineering contractor, installed an additional 7 monitoring wells and 8 piezometers. (E.C. Jordan Final at 13). None of these monitoring wells was deep enough to tap the bedrock between the Acme and Pagel's sites, although the contaminated domestic wells located in that area were drilled into the bedrock, and numerous references to strong downward movement of groundwater appear in both studies. —

For example, the ELE Report notes "Soils in the upland areas east of Pagel's Pit are well to excessively well drained, thus promoting downward migration of contamination" (ELE at 40). The E.C. Jordan Report notes deep well B-6D adjacent to the Acme site "consistently revealed a substantially lower level, which indicated a downward gradient on the order of 0.1 to 0.4 ft/ft during the period of monitoring. . . . These observations suggest the presence of a deep zone that is considerably more pervious than the overlying dolomite. This pervious zone may act as a drain to the overlying aquifer." (E.C. Jordan Final at 41) (emphasis added). Winnebago Reclamation has been informally advised by representatives of E.C. Jordan that Jordan recommended the installation of deeper monitoring wells between the two sites but these were not included in their remedial investigation.

The Acme site was listed on the interim National Priorities
List of 160 sites issued in 1981 and on the first National Priorities List of approximately 400 sites. 48 Fed. Reg. 40658 (September 8, 1983). Acme received an HRS score of 31.98. Its groundwater pathway score was 54.63 based upon an observed release of 1,1,2,2 tetrachloroethane, 1,1,1 trichloroethane, and trans 1,2 dichloroethane. These included some of the very contaminants detected in the residential wells between Acme and Pagel's during an IEPA site investigation on July 29, 1981. (E&E at 4-5).

#### C. EPA's Proposal To List Pagel's Pit.

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The E&E Report identified both Pagel's Pit and Acme Solvents as potential sources of the groundwater contamination of the aquifer. (E&E at 3, 40). Pagel's was implicated based upon record review of the types of waste disposed of, or for which Pagel's had obtained supplemental permits, and upon arsenic concentrations discovered in Well B-15, located on the opposite side of the unpaved private roadway along the northern boundary of Pagel's. (E&E at 29; E.C. Jordan Final, Fig. 4). No arsenic was detected in any other well during this round of sampling. However, arsenic has been found in the soils at the Acme site and in groundwater samples from Well G-103 on the Acme site, establishing its presence in the groundwater there as well. (See Appendix E hereto).

E&E identified Acme as the primary source of the volatile organic contamination since it found the highest concentrations of these chemicals in Well B-4, immediately adjacent to Acme. E&E noted that an obvious mechanism of release of these substances was

through rainfall percolating "through the porous overburden on the Acme Solvent property, through the buried wastes, through into the fractured and weathered bedrock, and on into the groundwater".

(E&E at 28).

The report noted without explanation that Pagel's was "apparently" the source of the arsenic. (E&E at 42). It also noted, without explanation, that Pagel's could be a source of additional organic chemicals. It recommended installation of additional wells or piezometers to determine whether mounding was actually occurring under the Pagel's site, as would be expected if the site were leaking. (E&E at 44). No such mounding has been detected under Pagel's by any study conducted to date.

Based upon data from the E&E report, and the arsenic result in particular, EPA prepared a Hazard Ranking Score for Pagel's in December of 1983, which was 40.70. The score was based upon a high value for the groundwater migration pathway, which in turn was premised upon the assumption of an "observed release" of arsenic. The EPA HRS scoring document attributes an arsenic release to Pagel's based upon supplemental permit #74-162 which authorized disposal of forty 55-gallon drums of arsenic-bearing chemical waste. Total waste quantity was estimated at 119,970 gallons or 1,983.4 drums based upon other supplemental permits.4/

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On June 11, 1984, a final HRS was prepared for Pagel's. This score was 42.47. It again was premised upon an assumed "observed

These permits, as listed in worksheets accompanying the EPA draft score, included Nos. 75-33; 75-34; 75-35; 75-36; 75-37; 75-80; 75-81; 74-72 and 74-107.

release" of arsenic to groundwater, but also listed observed releases of cadmium and bis (2-ethyl hexyl) phthalate. advanced a new rationale for attribution of these three chemicals to an observed release from Pagel's. E.C. Jordan used data collected in 1980 by the Sanitary District of Rockford, as well as subsequent sampling of its own, to identify these chemicals in leachate at the site inside the liner. 2 E.C. Jordan had concluded, based on that fact and additional monitoring data, that a separate groundwater contamination plume originates at Pagel's. Waste characteristics were rated at 24 based upon an estimate of 2,737 drums identified in supplemental permits, which the scorer noted "would be lowered by quantities not actually delivered". (6/11/84 HRS backup worksheet, p. 4). Finally, Pagel's received a targets score of 39 based upon use of the aquifer as a drinking water source with the nearest well within 0.1 mile and estimating 430 individual residences served within a 3-mile radius. (Id.). This targets score was 10 points higher than the targets score for Acme, located directly across the road. (Acme HRS sheet, July 22, 1982).

Believing this score to be unwarranted by the available evidence, Winnebago Reclamation Service asked Warzyn to conduct an

The 1980 sample of the leachate showed a cadmium concentration of 0.044 mg/l and an arsenic concentration of .038 mg/l. (EPA list of references supporting the Pagel's HRS, item 2). E.C. Jordan's 1984 sample of the leachate was not re-tested for the presence of arsenic and cadmium; it was tested for the presence of volatile organic compounds. Concentrations of bis (2-ethyl hexyl) phthalate were found to be 28 ug/liter. (E.C. Jordan Draft, Appendix F, Table 4).

additional groundwater investigation, as noted above. The purpose of this investigation is to: (1) determine whether there is any evidence of contamination emanating from Pagel's; (2) provide additional information on contaminants at depth between the Pagel's Pit site and the Acme Solvents site; and (3) evaluate potential impacts from the eastern margin of the Pagel's Pit site. In essence, the study is designed to plug existing gaps in the data base and provide a more solid basis for defining groundwater movement and the source of contamination in the Acme and Pagel's area.

The program will consist of installing nine additional wells, four of which will be instrumented as deep piezometers to monitor the conditions at depth within the aquifer, between the two sites. The five additional water table wells are situated around the eastern portion of the landfill (the portion closest to Acme Solvents) to detect any groundwater mounding and/or leachate emanating from the landfill. All newly installed monitoring wells, in addition to selected previously installed wells, will be sampled on two occasions to obtain additional groundwater quality information. Groundwater levels will be taken from all previously existing and newly installed wells on four occasions to develop a larger data base with regard to groundwater flow conditions. Results of this study are expected in February of 1985, at which time they will be supplied to EPA. At the present time, the available evidence, as discussed below, indicates that Pagel's is not a separate source of the observed contamination and that it should therefore not be included on the National Priorities List.

II. THE HRS SCORE OF 42.47 IS UNWARRANTED BECAUSE THERE IS NO OBSERVED RELEASE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIAL WHICH CAN BE ATTRIBUTED TO THIS SITE.

The statutory purpose of the Hazard Ranking System under Superfund Section 105(8) is to produce a list of "the highest priority facilities" based on actual or threatened releases of hazardous substances and the resulting "danger to public health or welfare or the environment". No such danger is posed by Pagel's.

The high HRS score which EPA proposed for Pagel's in its worksheet of June 11, 1984, is based upon what EPA has characterized as an observed release of arsenic and cadmium in one well and bis (2-ethyl hexyl) phthalate in three wells. The reasons for attributing this release to Pagel's are (1) similarity to chemicals found in leachate samples taken from inside the liner at Pagel's, and (2) the conclusion in the E.C. Jordan report on the Acme Solvents site that Pagel's is a separate source of groundwater contamination. 10/

The general assumption supporting the score is therefore that Pagel's is leaking. This assumption is based upon a series of inferences in the E.C. Jordan report which are not supported by that study or underlying data. As set forth below, these conclusions are inconsistent with evidence based on the leachate and

A different reason for attribution was given in the earlier draft HRS of December 8, 1983. In that document, attribution was based upon a supplemental permit issued to Pagel's for disposal of forty 55-gallon drums of arsenic-bearing waste. That reason for attribution was dropped after Winnebago Reclamation confirmed for EPA that this permit was never used.

groundwater samples themselves, the groundwater contaminant transport model predictions contained in the E.C. Jordan report, current knowledge about actual groundwater movement in the area, and the continuing lack of evidence that any groundwater mound is forming underneath Pagel's.

A. Analytical Data Fail To Show A Relationship Between The Pagel's Pit Leachate And Contaminated Groundwater Beneath The Site.

If the leachate from Pagel's were a separate source of the groundwater contamination observed in the area, the primary constituents of that leachate - i.e., its specific chemical finger-prints - would be observed in the samples taken from wells around the site. However, the available analytical data do not show any of the major chemical constituents of the leachate in the ground-water beneath and/or downgradient of the site, as would be expected if the leachate from the Pagel's facility were leaking through the liner.

The compounds detected in the highest concentrations in the leachate inside the facility were 2,4 dimethylphenol, phenol, xylenes, isophorone and toluene. (E.C. Jordan Draft, Appendix F, Table 4; EPA list of references supporting Pagel's HRS score item 15). None of these compounds was detected in any of the monitoring wells or water supply wells, with the exception of toluene. Toluene was only detected in Well B-4, the well immediately adjacent to the Acme Solvents site, and the well which also contained the highest overall amount of volatile organic chemicals. This well is located upgradient from Pagel's, so that Pagel's would not

be a likely source. Furthermore, the administrative record specifically identifies toluene as a chemical which was disposed of at Acme, and which chemically would be expected to leach into the groundwater at that site. (E.C. Jordan Final at 56).

In addition, if the Pagel's leachate were a separate source of groundwater contamination, concentrations present in the leachate inside the facility would be higher than those found in the groundwater. The record shows the contrary is true. Those compounds detected in the internal leachate samples which are also found in monitoring wells around the site were generally found in lesser concentrations in the leachate than in the groundwater. Trans 1,2 dichloroethene and 1,1 dichloroethane were detected in the leachate at 15 ug/l and 7 ug/l respectively. (E.C. Jordan Draft, Appendix F, Table 4). In each of the monitoring wells in which these compounds were detected, except for Well B-15, the compounds were found in greater concentrations in the well than in the leachate inside the liner.

With respect to the data for Well B-15, if the arsenic and cadmium observed in that well were coming from Pagel's Pit, similar concentrations would be expected to be observed in the downgradient wells located to the west of Pagel's, G-104, P-1, and MW-106. This is because groundwater contamination occurs in plumes,

Benezene and ethylbenzene were cited as additional leachate specific indicators detected around Pagel's Pit landfill.

These compounds as well were only detected in one well (B-15) and present in higher concentrations there than in the leachate. (E.C. Jordan Draft, Appendix F, Table 3 and Table 4).

not in spots. E.C. Jordan made no attempt to determine the existence of such a plume by sampling these wells for arsenic and cadmium. Jordan simply assumed the existence of such a plume. The pending sampling by Warzyn will include this sampling which Jordan failed to do. The record, on the other hand, does show that arsenic and cadmium are present in the soil at Acme (E.C. Jordan Draft, Appendix F, Table 2), and groundwater tests at Acme well sites have also demonstrated the presence of arsenic in groundwater at Acme. (See Illinois EPA Sampling report, attached hereto as Appendix E).

The only remaining chemical attributed to Pagel's on the HRS observed release score sheet is bis (2-ethyl hexyl) phthalate.

One of the downgradient wells, MW-106, does show concentrations of this chemical. However, the record shows that bis (2-ethyl hexyl) phthalate is present in concentrations of several thousand mg/kg on the Acme property. (E.C. Jordan Final at 56). In any event, the value of these concentrations as an indicator of the presence of hazardous wastes is questionable since "phthalates are commonly encountered in environmental sampling and analysis because of their ability to leach from a wide variety of plastic materials, and to opportunities for analytical interference caused by that leaching". (E.C. Jordan Final at 63, citing US EPA 1975, 1982).

To summarize, E.C. Jordan assumed a plume without even doing the sampling at the wells which are relevant to such a theory.

Jordan ignored the fact that all three chemicals of concern are present at Acme and have migrated in the direction of Pagel's.

B. Available Groundwater Analytical Data Do Not Require The Inference That Pagel's Is Creating A Separate Plume Of Contamination; Instead They Strongly Suggest That Acme Solvents Is The Source Of The Contamination.

The E.C. Jordan report interprets analytical data from groundwater samples as indicating that the plume from the Acme Solvents site is chemically distinct from the plume of contaminants found in the vicinity of Pagel's Pit. (E.C. Jordan Final at 72-77). In fact, the data support the theory of a single plume of contaminants originating at Acme, based on the nature of the chemicals and the biodegradation relationships between them.

First, the rationale underlying the E.C. Jordan conclusion is not entirely clear since the report contains contradictory statements on the similarity of the groundwater beneath the two sites. However, assuming that the rationale is based upon the fact that the chemical makeup of the groundwater around the two facilities is somewhat different, the E.C. Jordan conclusion is questionable because the difference in chemical composition could also result from the biodegradation of contaminants released by the Acme Solvents plume. In view of the length of time these contaminants have been in the ground (nearly 25 years) and the chemical relationships between them, such biodegradation is the more likely explanation of the observed differences.

For example, on page 73, the final report states both that "chemicals present in the Pagel's Pit and Acme Site wells are similar" and that "the concentration profile data (on the plume chemistry) strongly suggest that Pagel's Pit and the Acme site are acting as separate sources of groundwater contamination".

The existence of a single source plume is supported by the nature of the substances present and by groundwater chemistry transformations known to occur. The key chemical difference observed by the report between the two areas is the amount of trans 1.2 dichloroethylene, 11/ which appears to be greater under the Pagel's site than it is under the Acme site. Trans 1.2 dichloroethylene is commonly confused with cis 1,2 dichloroethylene, because most laboratories do not distinguish between these two isomers. (Appendix F, Cline and Viste, Migration and Degradation Patterns of Volatile Organic Compounds (1984), at 2-3). 1,2 dichloroethylene is a biodegradation product of trichloroethy-In fact, such degradation is the primary source of dichloroethylene, which is not produced commercially. (Appendix G, Wood, Lang & Pagan, Anaerobic Transformation, Transport and Removal of Volatile Chlorinated Organics in Groundwater (1981), at 2). Trichloroethylene is found in large quantities at the Acme site. (RAMP at 2-7; E.C. Jordan Final at Tables 12, 16). It appears very likely that most of the trans 1,2 dichloroethylene in the groundwater is actually cis 1,2 dichloroethylene. (Cline and Viste, supra, at 2-3).

The difference in the plume chemistry as reflected by the difference in the relative amount of trichloroethylene and trans

General patterns aside, however, it should be noted that the highest concentration of trans 1,2 dichloroethylene was found in Well B-4 on the Acme site indicating without question the presence of this chemical in groundwater beneath Acme. (E.C. Jordan Draft, Appendix F, Table 3).

1,2 dichloroethylene could be due to transport of the contaminants away from the source. (Id. at 5-10). E.C. Jordan has correctly recognized that Pagel's Pit is situated downgradient of the Acme Solvents site based upon measurements of groundwater levels in monitoring wells around the sites. (E.C. Jordan Draft, Figures 19, 20 and 21). Since Pagel's Pit is downgradient of Acme, contaminants released by Acme during its early active dumping phase some 20 to 25 years ago have been in the groundwater system much longer than those immediately adjacent to the Acme site. The time-dependent process of biodegradation could account for the increased proportion of 1,2 dichloroethylene observed in groundwater beneath Pagel's. (Cline and Viste, supra).

Similarly, 1,1 dichloroethane is a biodegradation product of 1,1,1 trichloroethane. Both compounds were found in groundwater at and downgradient of Acme Solvents. The proportion of 1,1 dichloroethane to 1,1,1 trichloroethane seems to increase with distance away from the Acme site, a pattern similar to that noted for trichloroethylene and its transformation product, trans 1,2 dichloroethylene. (Cline and Viste, supra, at 2, 5-10).

C. The E.C. Jordan Computer Transport Model Supports The Theory Of A Single Plume Of Contamination Originating At Acme.

The text of the final E.C. Jordan report states that "it is very <u>unlikely</u> that a single plume emanating from the Acme site is responsible" for the actual contaminant distribution depicted in Figure 28 of the report based on groundwater sampling results.

(E.C. Jordan Final at 89-90, emphasis supplied). The text of the

draft E.C. Jordan report, which EPA relied on to support its HRS score for Pagel's states, however, that "on the basis of modeling results, it is very likely that a single plume emanating from the Acme site is responsible for the contaminant distribution shown in Figure 28". (E.C. Jordan Draft at 111, emphasis supplied). Both the draft and final reports conclude, however, that separate plumes from Pagel's and Acme are a more "plausible scenario for the development of a bimodal plume" apparently because there is no independent evidence that the observed plume between the two sites is continuous. (E.C. Jordan Final at 90; E.C. Jordan Draft at 111). Despite the change in the textual conclusions in the final report, the model as a factual matter and as described in draft Appendix H, the only currently available form of that appendix, can as easily be interpreted to support the single plume theory.

Simulations were performed with numerous variations of aquifer conditions. Of the nine multivariable simulations, six modeled a plume extending from Acme under the Pagel's Pit landfill. (E.C. Jordan Draft, Appendix H, Figures 6, 9, 10, 11, 13, and 14). All simulations had a generally continuous plume, with portions of the plume either under or headed toward the southeast portion of the landfill. The actual plume configuration as shown in Figure 28 shows that the highest level of contaminants around the landfill were detected in the southeast corner of the site. This evidences the model's general credibility since the model predicts greater concentrations in that area in simulations showing one plume of contamination originating at Acme.

The results of these simulations provide strong support for a single source plume in view of the fact that the model is somewhat flawed by its failure to take into account vertical migration of contaminants. The lack of deep monitoring points between Acme and Pagel's makes it difficult to ascertain the true character of the contaminant plume between the two sites for purposes of comparison to the model. In particular, groundwater sampling data from the private wells between the two sites do not appear to have been entered into the model. As described above, the hydrogeological investigation now under way will include bedrock monitoring within this area and provide additional information relevant to an accurate assessment of the modeling results.

D. Theoretical Attribution Of A Separate Groundwater Plume To Pagel's Is Predicated On Incomplete Information On Groundwater Behavior In The Immediate Area.

The 1983 E&E report described the Pagel's Pit-Acme area as one characterized by strong vertical movement of groundwater, possibly affected by increased permeability of the underlying geologic material. (E&E at 21-23, 41). E.C. Jordan does not directly acknowledge in its Remedial Investigation Report that information on vertical movement is incomplete. However, the author of the draft appendix entitled "Groundwater Flow Solute Transport Model", upon which E.C. Jordan relies for several of its conclusions, clearly so states. Under "recommendations", the author notes that "Use of the model has indicated that, for a more complete understanding of hydrogeology of the site and the fate of

site related contaminants more detailed information regarding the vertical movement of groundwater at the site needs to be obtained." (E.C. Jordan Draft, Appendix H at 19).

Throughout the preceding comments, we have set forth the evidence and rationale for the single plume theory of contamination of the entire area originating at the Acme site. The limited groundwater monitoring data presently available are consistent with a single plume of contamination moving from Acme down into the bedrock and westward until it reaches the more permeable materials beneath Pagel's where it discharges upward. (E.C. Jordan Final, Figs. 17 and 21). This movement is consistent with the fact that the bedrock plunges steeply beneath Pagel's, allowing the groundwater to migrate easily into the more permeable material. (Id.). This theory is currently supported by the following pieces of information.

As noted, at Wells MW-105, B-6S, and B-6D, steep downward gradients are associated with the groundwater mound thought to exist under the Acme site. In E.C. Jordan's view, "These observations (of vertical gradients at well nest B-6) suggest the presence of a zone at depth that is considerably more pervious than the overlying dolomite." (E.C. Jordan Final at 41). Regardless of permeability changes with depth, the layers and fractures of the dolomite bedrock serve as the primary migration route for contaminant transport away from the Acme site. As described in this analysis, the dissolved contaminants will flow with the groundwater system in response to local hydrogeologic conditions. In this case, the contaminants would move through the dolomite

bedrock discharging upward into the more permeable sand and gravel soils under Pagel's where the dolomite surface drops very abruptly to the west.

The groundwater investigations conducted to date have apparently missed this contaminant pathway because there are no monitoring wells which sample at depth in the dolomite aquifer between Pagel's Pit and the Acme site. However, the three private water supply wells (E, F, and G) found to be contaminated with volatile organic chemicals in 1981 are in this general area. Since these wells are believed to be drilled to deeper intervals in the dolomite than the shallow monitoring wells around them the observed chemical contamination, which matches the Acme plume for at least some substances (e.g., trichloroethane), could reflect the presence of a plume in the deeper bedrock area. Monitoring Well MW-104, which is located south of the Acme site and is the second deepest well installed around the site, also showed a relatively high volatile organic chemical concentration, 52 ppb, and could therefore be viewed as reflecting the same Acme plume.

Finally, the samples from the deepest well in the piezometer series at the west end of Pagel's (Wells P3, P4, and P5) also supports the bedrock contamination theory. The highest total volatile organic chemical content there was found at the deepest well (P5), the only one sampling groundwater in the dolomite. Completion of the hydrogeological study which is now in progress will provide further evidence relevant to this interpretation of groundwater flow in the area.

## E. There Is No Evidence Supporting The Development Of A Groundwater Mound Beneath Pagel's Pit.

As further support for its theory that Pagel's is leaking contaminants, the E.C. Jordan report infers that "there appears to be a tendency for development of a groundwater mound in the immediate vicinity of Pagel's Pit as evidenced by P3, P4 and P5".

(E.C. Jordan Final at 44). This is pure speculation, unsupported by any factual evidence. Any mounding occurring in the vicinity of those wells may be attributed to intense periodic recharge in the vicinity of the wells and not due to leakage from the landfill. The wells are located at the base of a closed basin adjacent to the landfill and after heavy precipitation recharge of collected water occurs. Observed vertical gradient at these wells is not always downward in the shallow groundwater, as would be expected if mounding due to leakage from the landfill was occurring.

### F. Other Facts Contradict The Observed Release Theory.

There is no objective reason to support the hypothesis that Pagel's is leaking. As described above, the site was constructed with an excellent liner. Although the asphalt is not intended to serve as the "seal" or liner at Pagel's, EPA itself has recognized that a two-inch hydraulic asphalt concrete liner alone can be compacted to have a permeability coefficient less than 1 x 10<sup>-7</sup> cm/sec. (Appendix H hereto, Landreth, Lining of Waste Impoundment and Disposal Facilities, SW-870, U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency, Cincinnati, OH (March 1983) at 66). The cationic seal, a type of bituminous seal applied to the liner, reduces this permeability factor to less than 1 x 10<sup>-9</sup> cm/sec by closing the pores in the asphalt concrete. (Id. at 101; Haxo, H.E., R.M. White, P.D. Haxo, and M.A. Fong, Liner Materials Exposed to Municipal Solid Waste Leachate - Final Report (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Cincinnati, OH, Contract No. 68-03-2134, 1982) (excerpts included in Appendix H hereto)). Liners which consist of only asphalt or only a cationic coal tar sealer or both are approved by state and federal agencies for use in solid waste management facilities. (Lubold, Battling Groundwater Pollution, Asphalt, July-Oct. 1975; Hot Mix Keeps Landfills Sanitary, Paving Forum, Fall 1977; Asphalt for Environmental Liners (brochure from Nat'l Asphalt Pavement Assoc. (1984)); copies of all attached as Appendix I hereto).

Moreover, the force which would initiate leakage in a well-drained area such as this is the head created by the presence of leachate on top of the liner. The leachate collection system at Pagel's and the 8-inch sand cover over the liner, however, results in a continuous pumping of the leachate away from the liner.

In summary, we believe we have presented sufficient information to allow consideration of an alternative interpretation of the available groundwater chemistry and hydrogeological data. In particular, this information suggests that Acme Solvents may be the sole source of the groundwater contamination problem in the area. The alternative interpretation relies on biodegradation of organics to explain similarities and differences of groundwater

chemistry below the Acme and Pagel's sites. The local hydrogeology helps explain the impacts noted to date. The E.C. Jordan
report does not conclusively link leachate quality from Pagel's
with downgradient monitoring well impacts. Groundwater modeling
does not consider all of the variables or available data to
accurately predict in-field conditions or impacts, but in its
current state, can also be used to generally support the premise
that Acme may be the sole source of contamination. An additional
hydrogeological investigation is currently being conducted to
determine the validity of the alternative interpretation.

III. AN HRS SCORE FOR PAGEL'S BASED UPON ROUTE CHARACTERISTICS AND CONTAINMENT CRITERIA APPLIED TO ANY OF THE MATERIALS OBSERVED IN THE LEACHATE RESULTS IN A BEST CASE SCORE OF 0 AND A WORST CASE SCORE OF 10.53.

As arsenic does appear in leachate samples from Pagel's, even though in concentrations well below the primary drinking water standard set by EPA under the Safe Drinking Water Act for arsenic of .050 mg/l, 14/ the facility could be re-ranked based upon a potential or threatened release of this material. Line 1 on the HRS groundwater worksheet would then be zero, requiring analysis of the four other factors listed on the sheet. These factors are route characteristics, containment, waste characteristics, and targets. A series of alternative scores has been prepared, using different assumptions. These are described below and set forth in the chart attached hereto as Appendix J.

<sup>40</sup> C.F.R. § 141.11(b) (1984).

Route characteristics and containment were not scored for Pagel's on the original worksheet, as these two categories are deleted when an observed release occurs. 40 C.F.R. Part 300, App. A, § 3.1. We have computed scores for both to reach an HRS figure based upon threatened release.

Route characteristics for Pagel's should receive a score of 9, calculated as follows:

- Depth to Aquifer of Concern was assigned a value of 2, based upon E.C. Jordan Final, Fig. 16, which shows a distance of slightly more than 20 feet between the refuse and the water table. 40 C.F.R. Part 300, App. A, § 3.2 assigns such a distance a value of 2.
- Net precipitation was assigned a value of 2, based upon E.C. Jordan Final, Table 5, showing a net precipitation of 13.05 inches for this area. 40 C.F.R. Part 300, App. A, § 3.2 assigns a value of 2 to this amount of precipitation.
- Permeability of unsaturated zone was also assigned a value of 2, based upon the E.C. Jordan Final, Table 2, rating of between 10<sup>-4</sup> and 10<sup>-5</sup> cm/sec, and the HRS value of 2 for such material set out in Table 2 of 40 C.F.R. Part 300, App. A, § 3.2.
- Physical state was assigned a value of 3, based upon the leachate as the substance of concern and upon the fact that some of the material disposed of at the site initially arrived in liquid form, although at the time of disposal it was mixed with solid waste. 40 C.F.R. Part 300, App. A, § 3.2.

These figures together give a route score of 9.

Containment was assigned a score of 0 as best case and 2 as worst case. The Hazard Ranking System Users Manual authorizes a zero score on this factor for a landfill meeting the following description: "Essentially non-permeable liner, liner compatible

with waste, and adequate leachate collection system." 40 C.F.R. Part 300, App. A, § 3.3, Table 3. Of the possible descriptions listed in Table 3, Pagel's most closely resembles this description since, as discussed above, the combination of the asphalt liner and cationic sealer render it "essentially non-permeable". An alternate score, however, has been computed assigning containment a score of 2 based upon a worst-case assumption (which we have no reason to believe is the case) that the site has a "moderately permeable compatible liner".

The <u>waste characteristics</u> score has been recomputed based upon the analysis of available evidence. The <u>toxicity and persistence factor</u> of waste characteristics was scored the same as on EPA's sheet - 18 - based upon arsenic as the waste of concern. The <u>hazardous waste quantity</u>, however, was reduced from 6 to 2 based upon the EPA record and facts set forth in the Howard Affidavit, ¶ 4, attached hereto as Appendix C. These documents show that Pagel's did not in fact accept or receive 2,611 of the 2,737 drums of waste counted by EPA in its assessment, thus reducing the score on this factor from 6 to 2.11

The final score sheet for Pagel's HRS merely references Item 3 on the supporting worksheet references, which is a summary of supplemental permits, as the source of the 2,737 drums of waste constituting hazardous waste quantity for Pagel's. The draft HRS, however, identifies a number of specific permits which were counted, including permit numbers 75-33, 75-34, 75-35, 75-36, 75-37, 75-80, and 75-81. The wastes identified in these permits were in fact not accepted by Pagel's. (Howard Aff., ¶ 4; Appendix C). The amount in gallons which these permits constitute is 130,572 gallons or 2,611 drums. Conversion of gallons to drums and drums to gallons was based upon the assumption used in 40 C.F.R. Part 300, App. A, § 3.4, that one drum is the equivalent of 50 gallons. As the (Footnote continued)

were authorized by the Illinois EPA to be disposed of at Pagel's, but in fact they never came there. Combination of the toxicity and persistence scores with hazardous waste quantity thus results in a score of 20, rather than 24 on this point.

The targets score was also recomputed. The groundwater use factor was scored by EPA at 3. Since the aquifer of concern is a drinking water source and no alternative municipal drinking water source is available, we have used that figure as well. tance to nearest well/population served factor was scored at either 0 or 20. The zero, or best-case score, is based upon two facts readily available in the record. First, the area to the east of Pagel's is upgradient for purposes of groundwater flow and no wells in that area would therefore be affected. Second, there are no wells downgradient of Pagel's between the site and Killbuck Creek which EPA itself noted was a discontinuity of the shallow aguifer. (EPA backup "documentation record" for HRS worksheet, p. 5, Targets). The 20, or worst-case score, is the score EPA used for the distance to nearest well/population served factor at the Acme site across the road, which shares the same aquifer. This score should not be used, however, since those wells are

EPA scorer noted, EPA's figure "would be lowered by quantities not actually delivered". Subtracting 2,611 drums of waste not actually received from the 2,734 drums supporting EPA's quantity estimate leaves a total of 126 drums actually received. The appropriate quantity score for 126 drums is 2. (These calculations are mathematically charted in Appendix J). Even this is a worst-case assumption, since it assumes that all the drums in question were full of hazardous substances in one-hundred-percent concentrations, which is not the case.

upgradient and could not possibly be affected by Pagel's. Combining the groundwater use factor of 3 with the distance to nearest well/population served factor results in a total targets score of either 9 or 29, depending on which "distance" score is used.

Performing the necessary mathematical computations with these figures results in an overall score of 0 for Pagel's assuming the best-case situation where a 0 score for containment is used. The worst-case score, assuming a score of 2 for a semi-permeable liner and 29 for targets would be 10.53. That worst-case score would be reduced to a 3.26 using a targets score of 9. In either case, this score warrants elimination of Pagel's from the NPL.

<sup>16/</sup> Before learning that the revised reason for attribution was based upon the leaking leachate theory, Winnebago Reclamation reviewed the materials actually received based upon supplemental permits, and re-ranked its facility based upon a receipt of 60.81 tons of material containing phenols (supplemental permit #75-239). See Warzyn July 12, 1984, rescoring included in July 17, 1984, submittal to Richard Bartelt, USEPA, by Winnebago Reclamation Service, Inc. (For some reason, this permit does not appear in EPA's HRS support documentation, Reference Item 3, which includes other supplemental permits. Therefore a copy is attached to the Howard Aff., Appendix C hereto, as Exhibit 3). Based upon the much lower toxicity/persistence score of 14 for that material, the HRS score arrived at, using EPA's original targets estimate, was a worst case of 24.77. For the reasons set forth in section II above, which contradict the observed release theory, this phenol score has been recalculated based upon a threatened release. Using a threatened release, our revised hazardous waste quantity figure of 2 (based upon conversion factors set out in 40 C.F.R. Part 300, App. A, § 3.4, 60.81 tons of waste is the equivalent of 60.81 cu. yds., which results in a quantity factor of 2) and a targets figure of 9 or 29, the new worst case score for phenols would be either 7.37 (using the 29 targets figure) or 2.29 (using the 9 targets figure), again supporting the exclusion of Pagel's from the NPL.

### IV. CONCLUSION

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For the foregoing reasons, it appears that Pagel's Pit was proposed for listing on the basis of a series of negative inferences or assumptions, which can be rebutted by facts already developed. The existing evidence supports the single plume analysis as accurately describing the pattern of groundwater movement in the area. Furthermore, the revised HRS scorings based upon the present record, discussed above and set forth in Appendix J, show that Pagel's is neither causing nor threatening the type of harm required for NPL listing. It would be arbitrary and an abuse of discretion for the Agency to indict with the stigma of NPL listing an environmentally sound and well-managed facility on such a thin evidentiary record.

The hydrogeologic study currently under way is expected to provide additional evidence concerning groundwater movement and the source of contamination in and around the Acme Solvents and Pagel's areas. The present record supports exclusion of Pagel's from the NPL. Certainly, however, no action should be taken to include Pagel's on the NPL until the results of that pending study have been reviewed.

Winnebago Reclamation Service, Inc. appreciates the oppor-

tunity to submit these comments in response to EPA's Notice of

Proposed Rulemaking. If you have any questions concerning any aspects of these comments, please feel free to contact us.

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## APPENDIX A

Photographs Showing Construction of the Asphalt Liner and Cationic Sealer at the Winnebago Reclamation Service Inc. Solid Waste Disposal Site (Pagel's Pit)

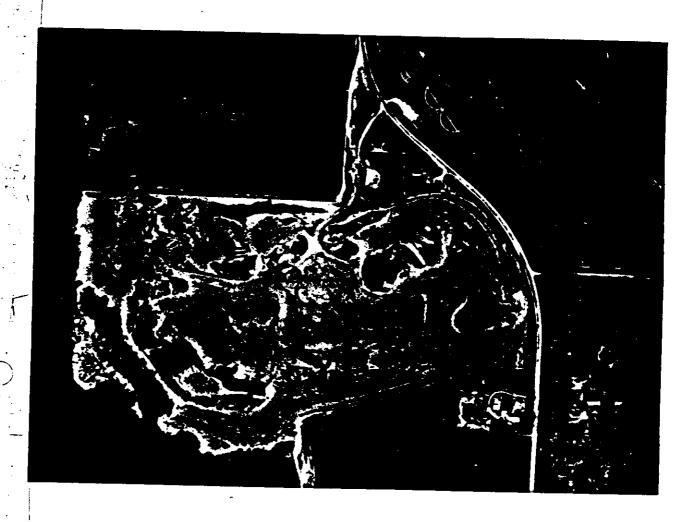


FIG. 1 Aerial photo of Pagel's Pit. (August, 1972)

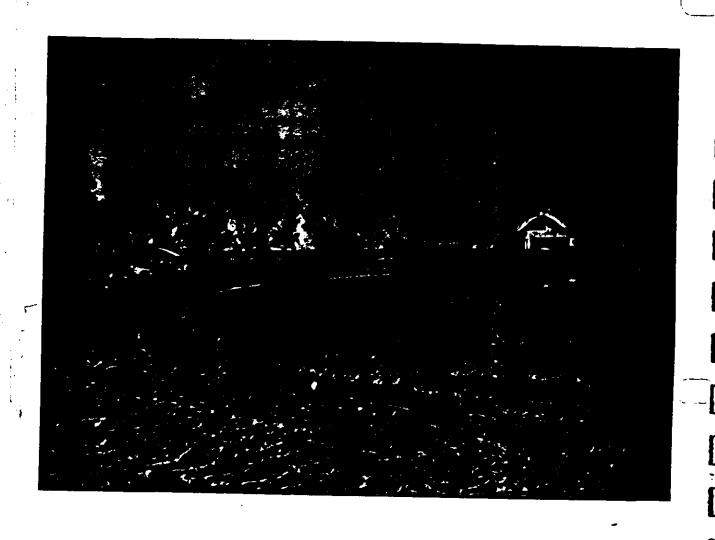


FIG. 2 Initial grading and dirt moving work for first unit. (June, 1972)

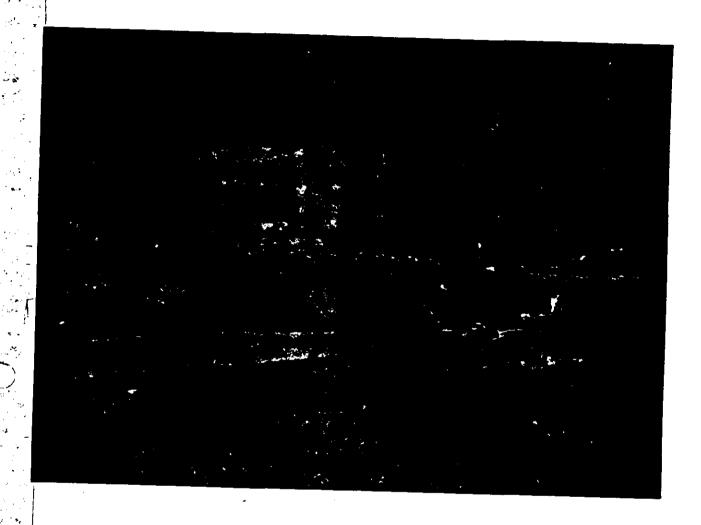


FIG. 3 Applying asphalt wall to side of unit, showing roller. (1977)

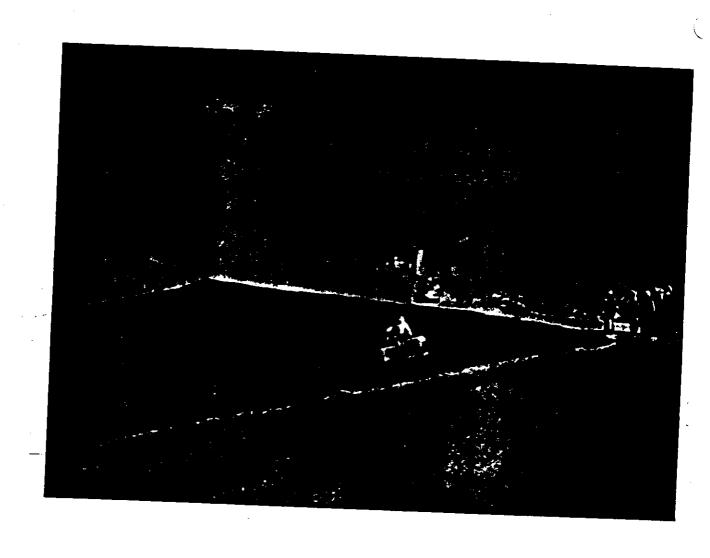


FIG. 4 Close-up view of asphalt compaction. (1977)



FIG. 5 Asphalt on wall and floor of pit. (1977)

IG. 6 Applying asphalt floor of pit. (1975)
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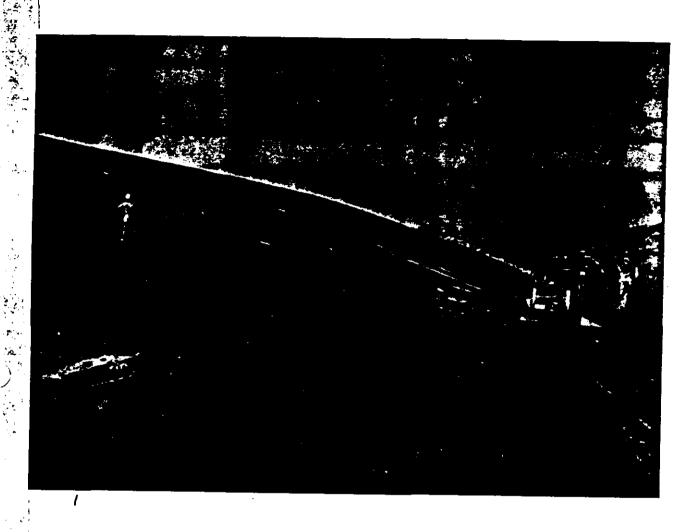


FIG. 7 Application of coal tar sealer to wall and floor.

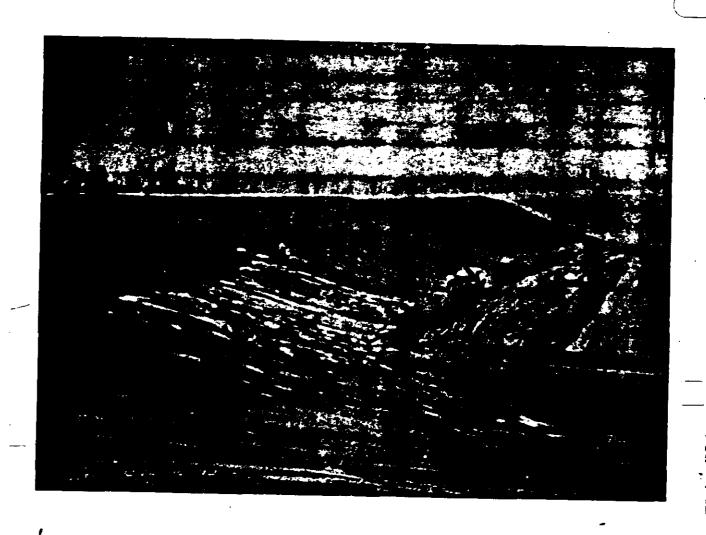


FIG. 8 Application of coal tar sealer to wall and floor.

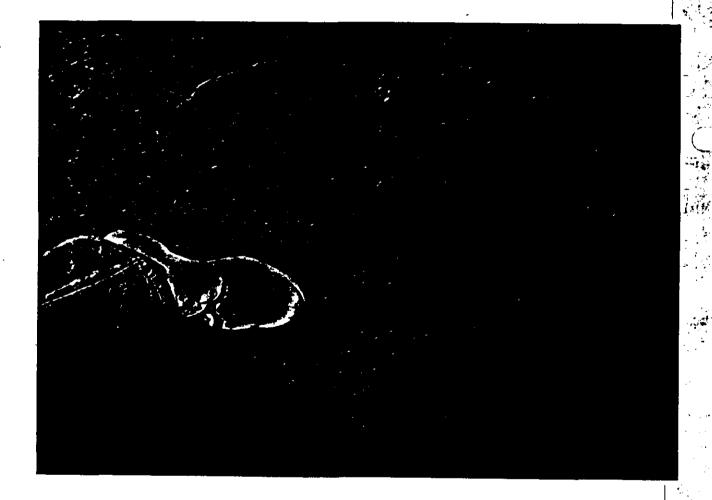


FIG. 9 Close-up of sealer on top of asphalt floor.



FIG. 10 Asphalt and sealed floor of pit. Beyond the grassy garbage wall is the asphalt liner wall.

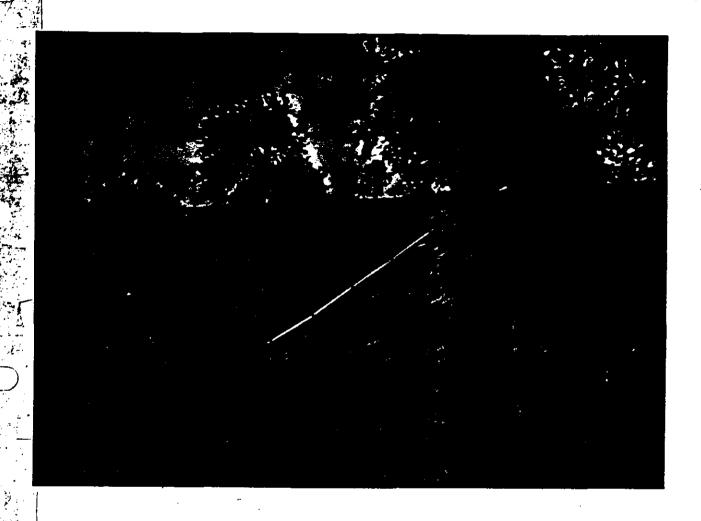


FIG. 11 Sand blanket on top of asphalt sealer. (1972) Enhances leachate collection.

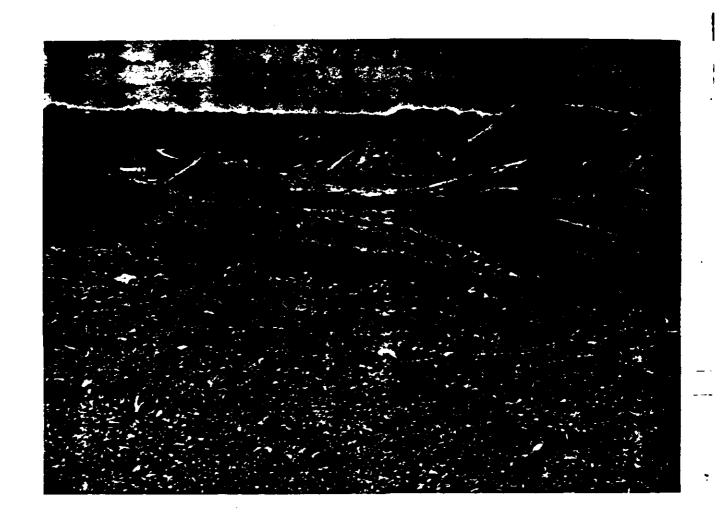


FIG. 12 Tires to protect leachate collection lines.

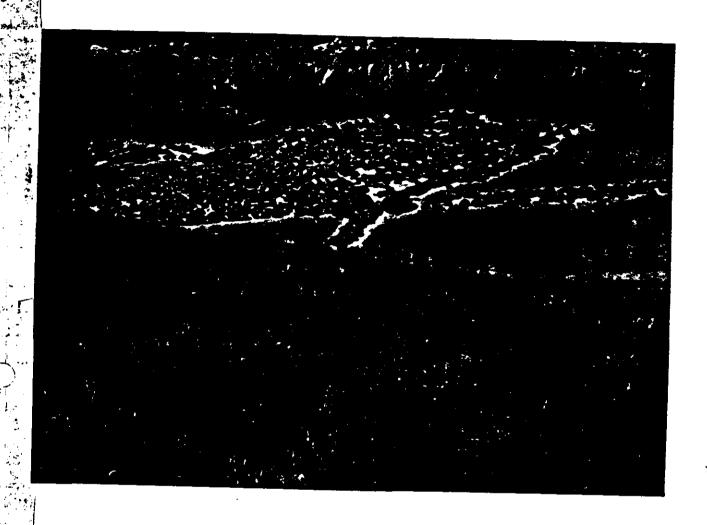


FIG. 13 Tires to protect leaching areas (same as FIG. 12). Provides some protection for lines also.

### APPENDIX B

Solid Waste Disposal Site Permit Issued by Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for "Pagel's Landfill" Initially to Rockford Blacktop Construction Company, now Winnebago Reclamation Service Inc. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY · STATE OF ILLINOIS

William L. Blaser, Director • Richard B. Ogilvie, Governor

April 7, 1972

WINNERAGO COUNTY - Land Pollution Control New Milford/Rockford Blacktop Co. Permit #1972-24

Rockford Blacktop Construction Company 600 Boylston Street Loves Park, Illinois 61111

#### Gentlemen:

Permit is hereby granted to Rockford Blacktop Construction Company to install and operate a solid waste disposal site consisting of approximately 20 acres in the NE'z, Lot 10, Section 36, T.43N., R.1E., of the 3rd P.M., to handle domestic and industrial refuse all in accordance with the application and plans prepared by W. S. Howard: Said application consisting of 10 pages undated and received by the Environmental Protection Agency on April 5, 1972; said plans consisting of 6 pages entitled "Pagels Landfill", undated and received April 5, 1972.

The permit is issued subject to the standard conditions set forth on Page 2, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and further subject to the following special conditions:

- Solvents for the coal tar sealer shall be excluded from the landfill.
- 2. At least one ground-water monitoring well shall be installed within 60 days or before refuse is deposited in the landfill. A complete background chemical analysis for the components listed on the enclosure shall be submitted before refuse is deposited in the landfill.

Very truly yours,

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Dougla's Andrews, Manager, Permit Section

Telephone: 217-525-3397

Division of Land Pollution Control

This permit is granted pursuant to Section 39 of the "Environ-mental Protection Act" and the "Rules and Regulations for Refuse Disposal Sites and Facilities" as authorized therein, and is subject to the following conditions:

- If any statement or representation in the application is found to be incorrect, this permit may be revoked and the permittee thereupon waives all rights thereunder.
- 2. There shall be no deviation from the approved plans and specifications unless additional or revised plans are submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency and a supplemental written permit issued therefor.
- 3. During or after the construction or the installation of refuse disposal site or facility for which a permit has been issued, any agent duly authorized by the Environmental Protection Agency shall have the right and authority to inspect such work and operation.
- 4. This authority, (a) shall not be considered to affect the title to the premises upon which the refuse or solid waste site or facility is to be located, (b) does not release the permittee from any liability for damage to person or property caused by or resulting from the installation, maintenance, or operation of the proposed site, (c) does does not release the permittee from compliance with other applicable statutes of the State of Illinois, or with applicable local laws, regulations or zoning ordinances.
- 5. Leachate from waste disposal site must be collected and adequately treated, all in accordance with Environmental Protection Act criteria.
- 6. Waste must be compacted in layers and covered daily, with six (6) inches of satisfactory material; surface(s) not receiving refuse must have one (1) foot of additional cover within a 60 day period.
- 7. Open dumping and open burning is prohibited.
- 8. This permit is void one year from the date of issue unless installation of this project has started on or prior to the date of expiration.
- 9. This permit is subject to review and change by the Environmental Protection Agency as deemed necessary to fulfill the intent and purpose of the Environmental Protection Act.
- 10. This permit is subject to revocation by the Environmental Protection Agency upon a finding by the Agency that any of the aforementioned conditions have been violated, or upon the violation of the Environmental Protection Act or any Rule or Regulation effective thereunder.

### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### Division of Land Pollution Control

#### BACKGROUND WATER SAMPLE ANALYSIS

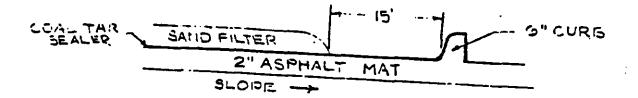
Analysis for the following chemical characteristics shall be mandatory of at least one (1) ground-water sample taken from a monitor well on (or adjacent to) the newly-permitted landfill site. The sample shall be obtained BEFORE emplacement of refuse; the results of sample analysis shall be submitted promptly to this Agency. This water quality information shall be considered requisite for satisfactory completion of the application for permit requirements:

- 1. Alkalinity, as CaCO<sub>3</sub>
  2. Aluminum\* (A1)
  3. Arsenic (As)
  4. Boron (B)
  5. Bromides (Er)
  6. Cadmium (Cd)
  7. Calcium (Ca)
  8. Chloride (Cl)
  9. Chromium ---- Trivalent (Cr<sup>+3</sup>)
  10. COD
- 11. Copper (Cu)
- 12. Cyanide (CN)
- Floride (F<sup>-</sup>)
- 14. Hardness, as CaCO<sub>3</sub>
- 15. Iron, dissolved (re)
- 16. Lead (Pb)

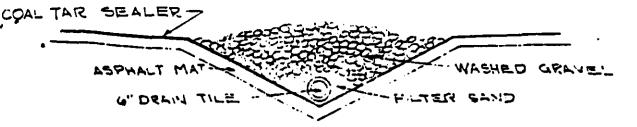
- 17. Magnesium (Mg)
- 18. Manganese (Mn)
- 19. Mercury (Hg)
- · 20. Nickel (Ni)
  - 21. Nitrate (NO3)
  - 22. pH
- 23. Phenol
- 24. Phosphate (PO4)
- 25. Potassium (K)
- 26. Residentivity
- 27. Sodium (Na)
- 28. Specific Conductance \*\*\*
- 29. Sulfate (SO<sub>4</sub>)
- 30. Total Dissolved Solids
- 31. Zinc
- \* All analyses for dissolved content unless otherwise indicated.
- \*\* Reported in pico curies per liter (pc/l).
- \*\*\*Reported in micromhos at 25°C.

### LANDFILL OPERATION

The proposed landfill will be developed in 3-5 stages depending on the influx of refuse. Stage # 1 will consist of construction of the proposed liner over approximately 20% of the area shown on the drawings. The open side (west) of the liner will be curbed with a 6-inch asphalt curb and the cosl tar sealer will be applied contiguously with that curb.



The curb and liner will be pitched so that all the water will flow directly to a holding tank. There will be no ponding on the asphalt liner. Any leachate or runoff water from this temporary tank will be hauled to the Rockford Sanitary District for disposal. After a 6-inch blanket of filter sand is placed, refuse will be disposed of uniformly over the entire area with the maximum of 4-foot lifts and deposited no closer than 15-feet from the open edge of the liner. Successive layers will maintain a 3 to 1 slope at the edge of each cell, and this slope will be covered with sand. As cell # 1 is filled above the liner, the final slopes will be covered with clay. As the top elevation is reached, the clay will be extended to form a 10 foot rim around the top of the pit. The remainder of the top will be covered with a minimum of 8 inches of sand graded to permit surface water to run through the compacted refuse. In joining cell # 2 with cell # 1, approximately 10 feet of cell # 1 will be pulverized with new asphalt added and then fused with the cell # 2 mat construction. During this construction the curb on cell # 1 will be eliminated and a new curb will be placed at the west edge of cell # 2. Cell #2 will be constructed in an identical manner with the exception that the collection ditch shown in the drawings will be filled with a 6-inch drain tile, filter sand and washed gravel as shown below:



# DITCH DETAIL

### HOLDING POND

At the time when the quantity of leachate becomes significant, a pump and forced main will be constructed to pump the leachate to the top of cell # 1 to promote the decomposition process. A diffuser will be placed at the end of the forced main to prevent a concentration of flow. In addition, a holding pond will be constructed completely outside of the landfill. This holding pond will be lined with clay and be used only in the case of a temporary breakdown of the pump or at the completion of the landfill when all refuse has been leached out. This pond will be situated between the landfill and the creek at the same elevation as the holding pond shown on the drawings. Fluid will get to this pond by gravity flow through an 18-inch pipe coupled with a gate valve. The holding pond, when used, will also be provided with a circulating pump for aeration.

### MONITOR WELLS

During the course of the landfill operation, a minimum of four monitor wells will be placed to allow continuous sampling of the ground water. If, at any time, these wells detect any leakage through the liner, volume wells will be installed downstream from the landfill, and the water will be pumped into the holding pond. This will continue until the apparent leaks can be sealed by either

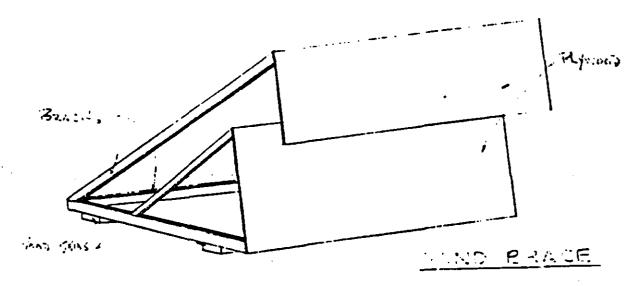
pressure grouting or some other suitable method. No water from any source will be allowed to flow into the creek until it meets the water purification standards of the State of Illinois.

#### FENCING

Before any refuse is accepted at the site, a 6 foot cyclone fence with 2 strands of barb wire will be constructed. One entrance and one exit will be provided to elimanate any unauthorized use of the site. The entrance and exit will be locked at any time the landfill site is closed.

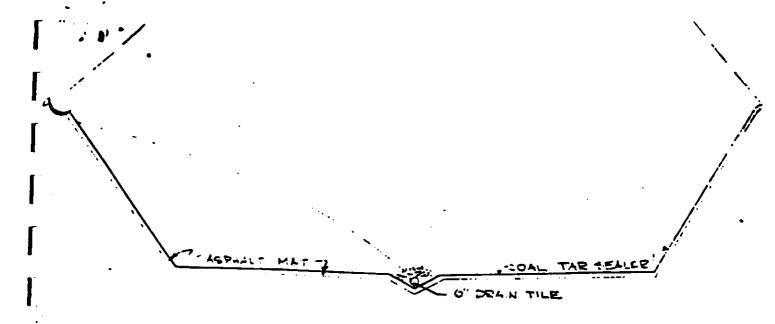
### PREVENTION OF BLOWING LITTER

During the course of the landfill operation, trucks will be dumped individually by trained personnel on duty at the site. A mobile screen will be constructed to deflect the wind away from the dumping trucks as shown below:



### COMPLETION OF LANDFILL OPERATIONS

At the completion of the landfill operation, the slope of the water table will conform to a line originating from the drain and extending to the sides and ends of the pit at elevations a minimum of 3 feet below the top of the liner as shown below:



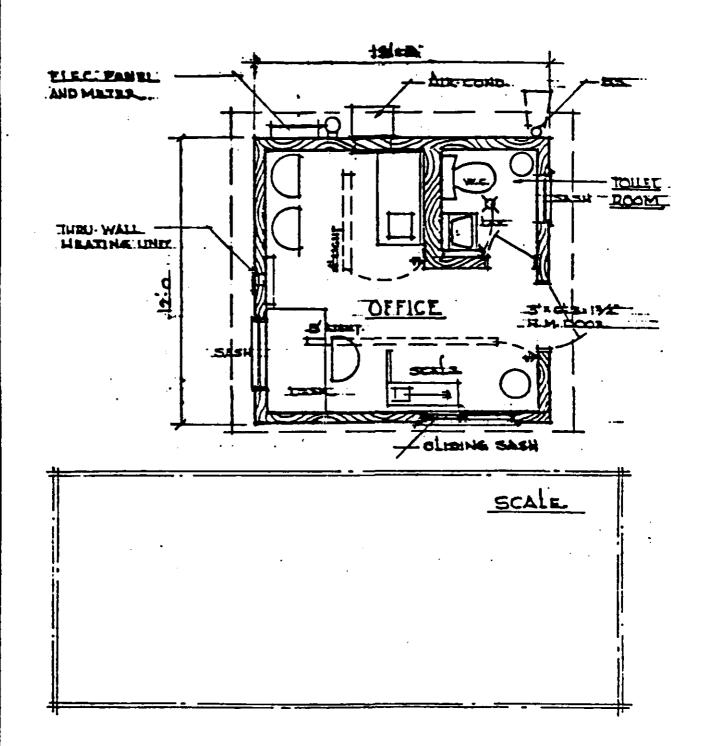
DRAIN TILE WILL BE PLACED AS NEED TO ATLE & AROUE TO THE WAR

### EARLY CLOSING OF LANDFILL SITE

If for any reason the landfill becomes inactive, all refuse will be covered and the closed leaching system will be continued until such time as the effluent will meet the water quality standards of the State of Illinois. The practice of rapid leaching will also be used when the landfill is completed to grades and elevations as shown in the final plan.

### SCALE HOUSE AND EMPLOYEE FACILITY

A drawing of the proposed scale house is attached. This building will also be used as a facility for employees at the site. Provision has been made for heat and lighting. A wet toilet which will be hooked up to a septic system is included.



A. SCALE HOUSE

2200 Churchill Road • Springfield, Illinois 62706 • Telephone: 217-525-3397

## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SITE

And to Register Site in Accordance With The Environmental Protection Act

## APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED IN DUPLICATE

NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE - FOR E.P.A	. USE ONLY.
•	- Land Pollution Control
Application Received:	Permit Number
Reviewed by: Geol.() Engr.() Op.()	L.P.C. Region
Date:	Plan File Ref:
Letter Attached:	Permit: Granted Denied
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Notice 10.	<del> </del>
	Type of Solid Wastes Site: ( ) Sanitary Landfill
	( ) incinerator
	() Composting () Other
<u>;                                    </u>	
PARI L - APPLI	CANTINFORMATION
A. SITE IDENTIFICATION	
	Blacktop Construction Co.
(:etson	responsible for operation)
2. Address of Applicant 600 Boy	viston Street , Y. O. Box, or R. R. P)
Loves Pa City	State Zip Crae
City	State Lip tive
Te ! ephone	:815-877-7475 (Area Code) (Number)
3. Name of Land Owner Porkford	
(if same	as above, so indicate)

4.	Address of Land O					
•		(Str	eet, P. O.	Box, or R.	R. #)	
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		City		State		Zip Code
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6.	Address of Site	Lindenwood	Road	<del></del>		
		(St	reet, P. O	Box, or R.	R. #)	
		Southeast of	New Milfo	rd, Illinois		
	•	lty		State		Zip Code
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9.	Present zoning cl	lassification	Of wite _	NON COPTORE	ing Industrial	······································
10-	Does present zon:	ing of site a	illow the p	roposed usag	e? ()Yes	( )No. see
11.	Restrictions (if	any) Zoning	authority	is presentl	y being appeal	ed in
	the courts				·	<del></del>
12.	Check applicable	boxes which	describe (	the use of ad	iacent propert	ies
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, 13. •	a. Are there any permits, operational requirements, licenses, or other requirements or restrictions by any municipality, planning commission, county, county health department, state agency, or other governing *body? List: <u>Permit is needed from State of Illinois</u> , <u>Environmental</u>
	Protection Agency
	b. Have these requirements, licenses or restrictions been approved by the agency or governing body having jurisdiction? ()Yes (X)No
	c. If the answer to (b) is yes, include photocopies of supporting documen
B. <u>LOC</u>	CATLON
14.	Attach a copy of the United States Geologic Survey (USGS) topographic quadrangle map of the area which contains the site.
	Quadrangle Map Provided: Camp Grant Quadrangle 1949
15.	(Name) (Date)  a. Outline on the USGS topographic quadrangle map the location and extent of the site.
	b. Provide a legal description of the site. (Typewritten on attached she
	NE 1/4 Lot 10 Quarter, Quarter, Quarter
	of Section 36 , Township 043 , Range 001 .
16.	General topographic characteristic. (Flood Plain, Hillside, Field, Strip Mine, Quarry, Gully, etc.)  Briefly Describe: Sond and Gravel Pit
.17.	Plot the following information on the USGS quadrangle topographic map, if within the site or within a half-mile of outer perimeter of facility:
·	1. Wells (domestic, industrial, etc.)
	2. Public water source (wells, stream, etc.)
	<ol> <li>Residences or residential areas, commercial facilities, industries, institutions, etc.</li> </ol>
	4. Other pertinent facilities not shown on topographic map such as diverted streams, strip mines, ponds, etc.
	If scale of quadrangle map is insufficient, show on a separate topographic map.

## A. SUBSURFACE INFORMATION

- 13. Provide subsurface information in sufficient detail to allow evaluation of the site for use as a solid waste disposal site. (Attach typewritten report.)

  Not Applicable
- B. SOIL BORINGS (Attach soil boring report.)
  - 19. Provide a complete log (description) of each boring, along with all other pertinent data.

    Not Applicable
  - 20. Give the following information for bedrock, if encountered. (include in soil boring report)
    - a. Depth to bedrock
    - b. Type of bedrock
    - c. Name and age of bedrock formation (if known)

### Not Applicable

- C. MATERIALS SAMPLING DATA (include in soil boring report)
  - 21. Give the following information for soil samples taken during the soil boring operation.
    Not Applicable
    - a. Textural classification
    - b. Grain size distribution
    - c. Permeability
    - d. Void ratio
    - e. Ion-exchange capability
- D. GROUND WATER (include in soil boring report)
  - 22. Give the following information on ground water, if encountered.

    Not Applicable
    - a. Depth to zone of saturation at time of boring.
    - b. Depth to zone of saturation minimum 24 hours after boring.
    - Direction(s) of ground water movement.

### PART IV - LF - CONSTRUCTION PLANS

## AND SPECIFICATIONS

(SANITARY LANDFILL)

### SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

23. Provide a detailed topographic map of the existing site (Scale 1:200 or larger) showing legal boundaries, with a minimum contour interval of five feet. This map should give details of all existing surface features such as buildings, ponds, streams, trees, rock outcrops, fire hydrants, underground and overhead utilities, sidewalks, drives, fences, culverts, streets, right-of-ways, and any other items of significance.

Show location and elevation of soil borings as described in Part III-A.B.20.

- 24. Provide a separate detailed topographic map of the developed site showing the following:
  - a. Original and finished contours with a minimum contour interval of five feet.
  - b. Surface features to be removed, altered or to remain. Designate areas to be used as source of cover material.
  - c. New construction with location plans for berms, dikes, dams, earthen barriers, surface drainage ditches, culverts, fencing, access roads, utilities, walks, buildings, sanitary facilities, monitoring wells, streams, ponds, mines and any other special construction as may be required to comply with the provisions of the Rules and Regulations.
- 25. Provide cross-sectional or profile views (Scale 1:200 or larger) of the developed site to clearly indicate: (Minimum of three cross-sections required.)
  - a. Proposed fill areas.
  - b. Sequence of placement and total compacted thickness of each lift.
  - c. Thickness of cover material for each lift. As Required
  - d. Slope and width of working face for each lift. As Required
  - e. Slope of completed fill with final cover in place. Minimum 4/1 slope
  - f. Subsurface soil strata to a minimum depth of twenty feet below the base of the fill material. Glacial Till on Limestone Bedrock
  - g. The top of the water table and direction of flow of the ground water. 5 feet southwest
  - h. Earthen barriers, berms, dikes and other artificially created barriers, including essential dimensions of each. See Contour Map
  - 1. Subsurface leachate collection system, if used. Not Applicable

- '26. Provide plan view (Scale 1:200) and cross-sectional details of leachate collection and treatment system, if used, including the following information:
  - a. Type and location of subsurface collection devices.
  - b. Location, extent and surface elevation of treatment lagoon. Rockford Sanitary
    District
  - c. Written description of method of treatment. Rockford Sanitary District
  - d. Discharge point(s) of treated material. Rockford Sanitary District
- 27. Provide detailed plans including cross-section, of the access roads, buildings, culverts, fencing, monitoring wells, drainage ditches and any other features of significance.

### B. SCHEDULE OF CONSTRUCTION

28. Attach a typewritten narrative supplemented by indications on the plans of the sequence of areas to be filled. Estimate the date of beginning and ending each phase of the construction and operation.

### C. CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

- 29. Attach a typewritten narrative supplemented by indications on the plans of provisions to be made for:
  - a. Prevention of surface or ground water pollution.
  - b. Control of gas migration.
  - c. Elimination of flood hazard.
  - d. Employee facilities.
  - e. Access to the site.
  - f. Measuring quantity of solid waste delivered to the site.

### (SANITARY LANDFILL)

### A. SOURCE AND VOLUME

30. Indicate the estimated volume of each of the following sources and types of solid waste the facility will handle during each day of operation; each week of operation; each year of operation.

	SOURCE Residential	TYPE	DAILY VOLUME 188 TN	WEEKLY VOLUME 942 TN	TEARLY VOLUME 49,000 TN
b.	Commercial		88 TN	. 442 TN	23,000 TN
c.	Industrial		62 TN	308 TN	16,000 TN
d.	Agricultural			•	- Minimal
e.	Other (Describe)				No other

- 31. At the above rate of use, what is expected useful life of the facility?

  10-15 Years.
- 32. Will sewage sludge or any other hazardous waste be accepted? ( )Yes (X)No
- 33. What types of hazardous waste will be accepted? (Describe Briefly)

Hazardous waste will	not be accepted at the	site

## B. DESCRIPTION OF OPERATING PROCEDURES

- 34. Attach a typewritten plan of operation to accompany this application. This plan should include the following subjects:
  - a. Method of landfilling (Trenching, area fill)
  - b. Time schedule for filling and daily covering

### C. OPERATING REQUIREMENTS

- 35. Attach a typewritten description of provisions for:
  - a. Personnel for supervision and operation
  - b. Traffic control
  - c. Designation of unloading area
  - d. Cell size and construction

- 35: e. Provisions for blowing litter control
  - f. Rodent control
  - g. Fly control
  - h. Bird control
  - 1. Dust control
  - j. Odor control
  - k. Management of surface water
  - 1. Erosion control
  - m. Final cover and final slopes.
  - n. Monitoring program for groundwater and gas
  - o. Salvage and scavenging operations
- 36. Attach a typewritten description of methods for handling any special or hazardous wastes which will be accepted at the site.
- 37. Provide a list of equipment to be used for landfill operation:

ITEM(S)	MODEL NUMBER	NO. OF UNITS IN OPERATION	DESCRIPTION
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	SEE ATTACHED SCH	EDULE .	•
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- \*38. Attach a typestice.

  of provisions for final grading and revegetation of the repair of eroded,
  areas. State what arrangements will be made for the repair of eroded,
  cracked and uneven areas for a period of not less than five years following
  completion of the landfill.
- 39. By signature affixed to this Application for Permit the applicant affirms his intent to record description and plan of the completed site with the county official responsible for maintaining titles and records of the land, in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of this Agency, if granted a Development and/or Operating Permit.

' (	true and accurate to the best	Rockford Blacktop Construction Co.
-	Signature of Applicant:	A.C. Snaloney, Secretary
	At:est:	
	Signature of Engineer:	(se
. •	Illinois Reg. No.:	
	Attest:	

- b. The area will be signed to comply with safety regulations and insure smooth traffic flow. We propose a one-way traffic pattern. A man will be assigned to make sure that trucks are dumped at the correct fill area.
- c. There will be adequate signs and personnel to designate area and supervise unloading.
- d. As shown on plans.
- e. Adequate permanent and temporary fencing will be available to control blowing litter. Water will be available at the site to wet down the refuse if needed.
- f.g,h. The area will be treated with chemicals as needed to control rodents, flies, insects and birds.
  - i. Dust will be controlled with water which will be available at the site.
  - j. Odor will be controlled by use of suitable cover material.
  - k. For management of surface water see plans.
  - 1. As per plan.
  - m. Final cover on completed site will be 6 inches of sand fill and 2 feet of clay. Final slopes will be a minimum 4 to 1. The area will be seeded so as to prevent erosion caused by surface water.
  - n. Monitor wells will be placed as required.
  - o. There will be no salvage or scavanging operations conducted by the landfill operator, nor will such operations be allowed to outsiders.

### Part V - Item 36

No hazardous wastes will be accepted at the site.

### Part V - Item 38

For final cover and grading, see Item 35 m. The area will be maintained by the operator in case of eroded or uneven areas. No cultivated crops will be planted on the site.

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#### APPENDIX\_C

Affidavit of Charles J. Howard, President of Winnebago Reclamation Service Inc.

#### EXHIBIT 1

TO

AFFIDAVIT OF CHARLES J. HOWARD

Mr. Douglas Andrews Land Publishen Division Environmental Protection Agency 2200 Churchill Boad Springfield, Ill. 62706

Dear Deug:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter which we received from Lyle Porter regarding Quality Hetal Finishing Company, Byron, Illinois. I am ours you are familiar with the case.

I would like your judgement as to what we should do about this. If you consider the waste to be "asn-hals: love", we will apply for an amendment to our permit. If, however, in your opision, this waste is hazardous or might be hazardous to our landfill, we will let Mr. Postes know that we would rather not accept the waste.

. Very truly yours,

Neil A. Malonny, Secretary Rockford Blacktop Caustruction Co.

MAH/cb Enc.

Pebrusty 7, 1975

Mr. Tom Cavanaugh
Supplemental Parmit Section
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
2200 Churchill Road
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Re: Winnebago County
Land Pullution Control

#### Dear Mr. Cavanaugh:

Congratulatings on the appointment of your new position. I am looking for a date working with you to secure sumplemental products.

I am including in this envelope a summery of all of the supplemental permits I have received, so that you have a check with the files you inherited. You will find this summery to be quite or casive. For every gallon of liquid I have received at our landfills, I have first secured a permit. I do this primarily to comply with the regulations, but also to lack that I do not in any way jacquadize the operation of the landfills. My primary concern is disposal of solid refuse in a manitury manager. I only allow liquid disposal as a supplemental operation to accommodate business. If you feel that by disposing of some liquids my land fill permit would be andangered, please let we know.

#### Enclosed please find:

- 1. Summary of supplemental painties.
- 2. Application for Belvidare Pardvere.
- 3. Sample letters. One T send to the R.P.A. and the other I send to potential customers. The inflications of
- these letters you desire will be implemented.

  6. Copy of application for phosphate sludge disposal.
- 5. Copy of application for Gala P.c.tu.ts.

Very truly yours,

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CHIK'R HOUARD Rosk ford Blacktop Construction Co. EXHIBIT 2

TO

AFFIDAVIT OF CHARLES J. HOWARD

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#### February 24, 1975

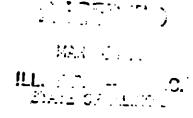
IN REPLY REPER TO: 20180801

WINNEBAGO COUNTY - Land Pollution Control

New Milford/Rockford Blacktop

Permit No. 1972-24

Supplemental Permit No. 75-33



Rockford Blacktop Construction Co. 600 Boylston Street Loves Park, Illinois 61111

#### Gentlemen:

Supplemental permit is hereby granted to Rockford Blacktop to accept a 1592-gallon backlog and 1040 gallons per week of industrial sludges, generated by Gale Products, Galesburg, Illinois all in accordance with the plans prepared by Rockford Blacktop, dated December 10, 1974 and received by the Agency on February 7, 1975. This supplemental permit is further subject to the following special conditions:

The backlog material as well as the routinely generated material shall be disposed at the working face in a ratio that does not exceed 10 gallons per cubic yard of solid waste.

This permit shall expire one year from the date of issuance, subject to renewal upon prior approval of the Agency.

Except as modified in the above documents, the site shall be operated in accordance with the terms and conditions of Permit No. 1972-24 dated April 7, 1972.

.Very truly yours,

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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C. E. Clark, Namager Permit Section Division of Land Pollution Control

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## ROCKFORD BLACK TOP CONSTRUCTION CO.

10 BOYLSTON STREET . LOVES PARK, ILL. 61111 . Phone 877-

ALL TYPES OF ASPHALT PAVING GRADING CONTRACTORS TONE & GRAVEL PRODUCES

December 10. 1974

Tom Clark
Supplemental Permit Section
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
2200 Churchill Road
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Re: Winnebago County
Land Pollution Control

Dear Mr. Clark:

I am requesting permission to dispose of the following material:

Landfill:

Pagels:

1972-24:

20180801

Source:

Gale Products

Description:

See next two pages

Quantity:

See Red ink on next page; total of 398-55 open top drums

containing approximately 40 gal. each are on hand as a backlog.

Approximately 26 drums are generated per week. .....

Handling:

Dump with household refuse.

Very truly your:

CHARLES J. BOW/PD. Landfill 'Imager

Rockford Blacksop Construction Co.



TEL. (309) 343-0141

December 3, 1974

Mr. J. C. Kullberg, President Interstate Pollution Control, Inc. 1525 - 9th Street Rockford, Illinois 61108

Dear Mr. Kullberg:

Acid-Alkali Neutralization

The following is a description of the sludge which we remove from our effluent treatment systems. As we discussed during your recent visit, there are three such units each having a different composition of sludge. Therefore, an analysis is given for each process.

Solids Composition Calcium Sulfate Calcium Hydroxide Iron Hydroxide Nickel Hydroxide pH	35-40% 1.6% 98.3% 1.3% .4% 7.5-8.5	1200 GAL BACKLUG
Cyanide Destruction Unit Solids Composition Calcium Hydroxide (Mater Hardness) Cadmium Hydroxide pH	35-40% 99+% Trace 9.5-10.5	6160 GAL BALLELOG 400 GAL /WK:
Chromium Precipitation Unit Solids Composition Barium Chromate Chromium (Tri valent) Barium Carbonate pu	35-407 97.67 1.47 1.07 6.5-7.5	6160 GAL BACKLOG 400 GAL/WK

Mr. J. C. Kullberg December 3, 1974 Page 2

Solids Composition	807	2400	GAL BACKLOG
Alkyd Resin Solids Pigments	967 47	160.	GAL/WK
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If there are any questions concerning the above or additional information is required, we will try to supply it.

Sincerely,

GALE PRODUCTS

Yund Dandeley
G. Paul Beardsley
Chemical Engineer

GPB:gt

cc: W. Boles

M. Kirkenmeier

D. McGrew

February 25, 1975

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Rockford Blacktop Construction Company 600 Boylston Street Loves Park, Illinois 61111

#### Centlemen:

Supplemental Permit is hereby granted to Rockford Blacktop Construction Company to accept 18 fifty-five gallon druns of metal hydroxide sludge generated by Commercial Wire all in accordance with the plans prepared by Charles J. Howard, landfill manager, Rockford Alacktop, dated January 20, 1975 and received by the Agency on January 21, 1975. This supplemental permit is further subject to the following special conditions:

Waste shall be disposed of in accordance with Supplemental Permit No. 74-130.

This permit shall expire one year from the date of issuance, subject to renewal upon prior approval of the Agency.

Except as modified in the above documents, the site shall be operated in accordance with the terms and conditions of Permit No. 1972-24 dated April 7, 1972.

Very truly yours,

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

C. E. Clark, Manager Permit Section Division of Land Pollution Control

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## ROCKFORD BLACK TOP CONSTRUCTION CO.

956 NO BOYLSTON STREET • LOVES PARK, ILL. 61111 • Phone 877ALL TYPES OF ASPHALT PAVING GRADING CONTRACTORS STONE & GRAVEL PRODUCERS PREMIXED PATCHING

January 20, 1975

Tom Clark
Supplemental Permit Section
Jilinois Environmental Protection Agency
2200 Churchill Road
Springfield, Jilinois 62706

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Re: Winnebago County
Land Pollution Control

Bear Mr. Clark:

1972-2

I am requesting permission to dispose of the following material

Landf!11:

Pagel Pit, 20180801

1 111, 2010000

Source:

Commercial Wire

Description:

See next page. This material is from the same

process, Supplemental permit no. 74-130 was issued for this

Quantity:

18 - 55 gal. drums

Handling:

Placed with household refuse

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CHARLES J. POWARD, Landfill Manager Rockford Blackton Construction Co.

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802 Cedar Street Rockford, Illinois 61102	April Sice. O Guer				
815-964-8518	Sample V. D. Carporate Studge				
	Sample Date  Gills: 111. Haveid Allie				
	TEST RESULTS				
Sample Received 1-9-75	Sample Tested 1-13-75				
Acidity	Lead				
	Nolybdenum				
	Nickel				
Alkalinity					
Aluninum	Oil & Grease				
BOD5					
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Cadmium	<u></u> •				
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February 25, 1975

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WINNEBAGO COUNTY - Land Pollution Control
New Milford/Rockford Blacktop
Permit No. 1972-24
Supplemental Parmit No. 75-35

Rockford Blacktop Construction Company 600 Boylston Street Loves Park, Illinois 61111

Gentlemen:

Supplemental Permit is hereby granted to Rockford Blacktop to accept 20,000 gallons per year of metal sludge, generated by Belvidere Rardware, Belvidere, Illinois, all in accordance with the plans prepared by Charles J. Roward, Rockford Blacktop, dated Pabruary 7, 1975 and received by the Agency on February 13, 1975. This supplemental permit is further subject to the following special conditions:

Waste shall be disposed of at the working face of the landfill in a ratio not to exceed 10 gallons per cubic yard of solid waste.

This permit shall expire one year from the date of issuance, subject to renewal upon prior approval of the Agency.

Except as modified in the above documents, the site shall be operated in accordance with the terms and conditions of Fermit No. 1972-24 dated April 7, 1972.

Very truly yours,

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C. E. Clark, Manager Permit Section Division of Land Pollution Control

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'OYLSTON STREET . LOVES PARK, ILL. 61111 . Phone 877-

ALL TYPES OF ASPHALT PAVING GRADING CONTRACTORS STONE & GRAVEL PRODUCERS PREMIXED PATCHING

2-7-75

Mr. Clark
Supplemental Permit Section
11lineis Environmental Protection geney
2200 Churchill Road
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Re: Minnebago County
Land Political Control

Dear Mr. Clark:

I am requesting permission to dispose of the following material:

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Belvidere Hardware

Description:

See Attached Sheet

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Very truly yours

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February 25, 1975

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Rockford Blacktop Construction Company 600 Boylston Street Loves Park, Illinois 61111

Gentlemen:

Supplemental Permit is hereby granted to Rockford Blacktop Construction Company to accept 16,000 gallons per year of Caustic Sludge, generated by Automatic Electric, Rockford, Illinois all in accordance with the plans prepared by Rockford Blacktop, dated February 10, 1975 and received by the Agency on February 13, 1975. This supplemental permit is further subject to the following special conditions:

Waste shall be disposed of at the working face of the landfill at a rate not to exceed 10 gal./yd3 of solid wastes.

This permit shall expire one year from the date of issuance, subject to renewal upon prior approval of the Agency.

Except as modified in the above documents, the site shall be operated in accordance with the terms and conditions of Permit No. 1972-24 dated April 7, 1972.

Very truly yours,

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Eline.

C. E. Clark, Manager Permit Section Division of Land Pollution Control

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## CKFORD BLACK TOP CONSTRUCTION CO.

BOYLSTON STREET . LOVES PARK, ILL. 61111 . Phone 877-122

ALL TYPES OF ASPHALT PAVING

February 10, 1975

Mr. Clark Supplemental Permit Section Illinois Environmental Protection Agency 2200 Churchill Road Springfield, Illinois 62706

> Re: Winnehago County Land Pollution Control

Dear Mr. Clark:

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Source:

Automatic Electric

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16,000 Gal. per year

Handling:

Mix with household refuse

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Very truly yours,

CHARLES J. HOMIRD, Landfill Manager Rockford Blackton Construction Co.

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WINNEBAGO COUNTY - Land Pollution Control

New Hilford/Rockford Blacktop

Permit No. 1972-24

Supplemental Permit No. 75-37

Rockford Blacktop Construction Company 600 Boylston Streat Loves Park, Illinois 61111 ILE. E.P.A. - T. C.C.
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Gentlement

Supplemental Permit is hereby granted to Rockford Blacktop Construction Company to accept 18,000 gallons per year of acid sludge generated by Automatic Electric, Rockford, Illinois all in accordance with the plans prepared by Charles J. Roward, Landfill Manager, Rockford Blacktop, dated February 10, 1975 and received by the Agency on February 14, 1975. This supplemental permit is further subject to the following special conditions:

This permit will expire one year from the date of issuance, subject to renewel, upon prior approval of the Agency.

Due to the low pH of this material, it is recommended that employees charged with its disposal take precautionary measures and wear protective clothing so as to prevent contact with it during disposal operations. Waste should be spread over the solid waste as thinly as possible and then be promptly covered with additional refuse and earth cover.

Except as modified in the above documents, the site shall be operated in accordance with the terms and conditions of Permit No. 1972-24 dated April 7, 1972.

Very truly yours,

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

C. E. Clark, Manager Permit Section

Division of Land Pollution Control

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## 'UCKFORD BLACK TOP CONSTRUCTION CO.

O( BOYLSTON STREET . LOVES PARK, ILL. 61111 . Phone 877-

ALL TYPES OF ASPHALT PAVING GRADING CONTRACTORS STONE & GRAVEL PRODUCERS PREMIXED PATCHING

February 10, 1975

Mr. Clark
Supplemental Permit Section
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
2200 Churchill Road
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Re: Winnebago County
Land Pollution Control

Dear Mr. Clark:

I am requesting permission to dispose of the following material:

Landfill:

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1972-24

Source:

Automatic Electric

Description:

Acid Sludge - see attached sheet

Ouentity:

18,000 Gal. per year

Handling:

Mix with household refuse

Very truly years,

CHARLES J. HOW'RD, Landfill Manager Rockford Blackton Construction Co.

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WINNESACO COUNTY - Land Pollution Control

New Milford/Rockford Blacktop

Permit No. 1972-24

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Rockford Blacktop Construction Co. 600 Boylston Street Loves Park, Illinois 61111

#### Gentlemen:

Supplemental permit is hereby granted to Rockford Blacktop Construction Co. to accept one time only, 16,000 gallons of plating waste, generated by Midwest Plating, Rockford, Illinois all in accordance with the plans prepared by Charles J. Howard, Rockford Blacktop, dated March 4, 1975 and received by the Agency on March 5, 1975. This supplemental permit is further subject to the following special condition:

This liquid waste shall be mixed with incoming solid waste at the landfill working face at a rate not to exceed 10 gal./yd3.

Except as modified in the above documents, the site shall be operated in accordance with the terms and conditions of Permit No. 1972-24 dated April 7, 1972.

Very truly yours,

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C. E. Clark, Manager Permit Section

Division of Land Pollution Control

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## ROCKFORD BLACK TOP CONSTRUCTION CO.

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ALL TYPES OF ASPHALT PAVING GRADING CONTRACTORS STONE & GRAVEL PRODUCERS FREMIXED PATCHING

March 4, 1975

Mr. Clark
Supplemental Permit Section
Jilinois Environmental Protection Agency
22GO Churchill Road
Seringfield, Illinois 62706

Re: Winnebago County
Land Pollution Control

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Pagels

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Midwest Plating

Description:

Plating waste

Quantity:

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Randling:

Mix with refuse

Very truly yours

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IN REPLY REFER TO: 20103008

WINNEBAGO COUNTY - Land Pollution Control

New Milford/Rockford Blacktog TATE OF HALL

Permit No. 1972-24

Supplemental Permit No. 75-81

Rockford Blacktop Construction Co. 600 Boylston Street Loves Park, Illinois 61111

Centlemen:

Supplemental permit is hereby granted to Rockford Blacktop Construction Co. to accept one time only, 4000 gallons of plating waste, generated by Midwest Plating, Rockford, Illinois all in accordance with the plans prepared by Rockford Blacktop, dated March 4, 1975 and received by the Agency on March 5, 1975. This supplemental permit is further subject to the following special condition:

This liquid waste shall be mixed with incoming solid waste et the immdfill working face at a rate not to exceed 10 gal/yd3.

Except as modified in the above documents, the site shall be operated in accordance with the terms and conditions of Fermit No. 1972-24 dated April 7, 1972.

Very truly yours,

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C. E. Clark, Manager

Permit Section

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## FOCKFORD BLACK TOP CONSTRUCTION CO.

DYLSTON STREET . LOVES PARK, ILL. 61111 . Phone 877-

ALL TYPES OF ASPHALT PAVING GRADING CONTRACTORS STONE & GRAVEL PRODUCERS PREMIXED PATCHING

March 4, 1975

Mr. Clark
Supplemental Parmit Section
111inois Environmental Protection Agency
2200 Churchill Road
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Re: Winnebage County
Land Pollution Control

Dear Mr. Clark:

I am requesting permission to dispose of the following material:

Landfill:

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Source:

Midwest Platine

Description:

Plating waste

Quantity:

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Handling:

Mix with refuse

Very truly yours

CHARLES J. HOWARD, Landfill Manager

Sectiond Blackton Construction Co.

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EXHIBIT 3

TO

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#### APPENDIX D

Letter Report from Warzyn Engineering, Inc., April 28, 1980; and IEPA Memorandum of August 14, 1981 Documenting Acme Solvents as Probable Source of Well Contamination East of Pagel's





Consulting Engineers - Civil - Structural - Geotechnical - Materials Testing - Soil Borings - Surveying

April 28, 1980 C 9078

Mr. Chuck Howard c/o Rockford Blacktop Construction Company 600 Boylston Street Loves Park, IL 61111

Re: Hydrogeologic Investigation Pagel Pit Landfill .

Dear Mr. Howard:

This letter and the accompanying drawings present the results of the hydrogeologic investigation in the vicinity of Pagel Pit Landfill. Recently, two private wells (Lyford and Baxter) located along Lindenwood Road have been shown to be contaminated. The purpose of this investigation was to determine whether the Pagel Pit Landfill is contributing to the degradation of water quality at these wells. The investigation included the collection and analytical analysis of water quality samples, a review of the historical water quality records of wells in the vicinity of the landfill, and the analysis of recently measured water levels.

The direction of groundwater movement beneath a source of contamination dictates the potential migration direction of the contaminant within a groundwater flow system. As the accompanying water table map (Drawing C 9078-Al) indicates, groundwater flow in the vicinity of the landfill is from east to west, with shallow groundwater probably discharging into Killbuck Creek. The Lyford and Baxter wells are upgradient, or upstream, from the landfill with Monitoring Wells PP4 and PP6 being alongside, or marginally downgradient from the landfill.

The results of the water quality analyses of samples obtained on March 7, 1980 are attached. The data indicates that the source of contamination is probably to the east of the Lyford and Baxter residences. The two on-site monitoring wells, PP4 and PP6, displayed the lowest concentrations of parameters analyzed for, whereas the Lyford and Baxter wells displayed the highest concentrations of these parameters. The

Blacktop House and Scale-House wells were between these two extremes. The attached isoconcentration map of conductivity measurements illustrates the trend of decreasing concentrations to the west. Total alkalinity, total hardness, and nitrate concentrations at the Lyford and Bayter homes are generally two times higher than at PP4 and FP6 and display the same areal trends as conductivity. Ritrate concentrations at the Blacktop House, Lyford house, and Baxter house wells exceed the Interim Drinking Water Standard of 10 mg/l established by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. A comparison of the historical water quality data for PP4 and PP6 (starting on 1972) and the recent data shows no significant change in water quality at those (we wells since 1972.

An abandoned solvent storage site, located approximately 2000 feet east of Lindenwood Road, appears to be the likely source of contamination at the Lyford and Baxter wells. Based on a visual inspection of the site area and reports by landfill personnel, various waste materials including many buried barrels, were dumped in an abandoned limestone quarry. The potential for leachings from the waste to migrate down to the water table and contaminate groundwater in a downgradient direction is high in what is presumed to be a fractured limestone environment.

In summary, the water level and water quality data indicate the Pagel Pit Landfill is not the source of contamination at the Lyford and Baxter wells. It cannot be shown that no groundwater impact has occurred at the landfill since no directly downgradient wells exist. Currently available information indicates the source of contamination of the wells in question may be the abandoned solvent storage site. Additional documentation would be necessary to conclusively show the abandoned solvent storage site is the source of this contamination or to document an alternate source. Due to the unknown nature of waste material disposed of at the suspect site, we unge caution in using the affected water supplies and recommend the homeowners be so notified.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the above information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Respectfully submitted,

WARZYN ENGINEERING INC.

Steven G. Witimann

Project Manager

Daniel R. Viste

Chief Hydrogeological Section

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Encl: Water Table Map, C 9078-Al

Isoconcentration Map-Conductivity, C 9078 A2 Analytical Laboratory Results, March 7, 1960



## WARZYN ENGINEERING INC

#### ANALYTICAL LABORATORY RESULTS

Project Rockford Blacktop

Location Rockford, Illinois

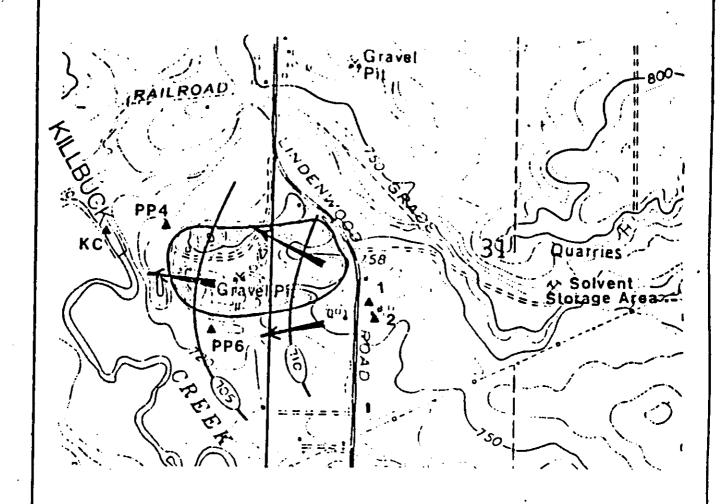
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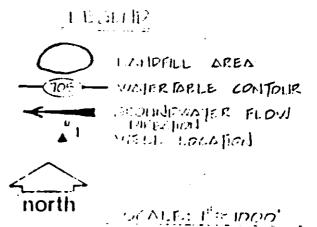
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### WATER TABLE MAP 3-20-80

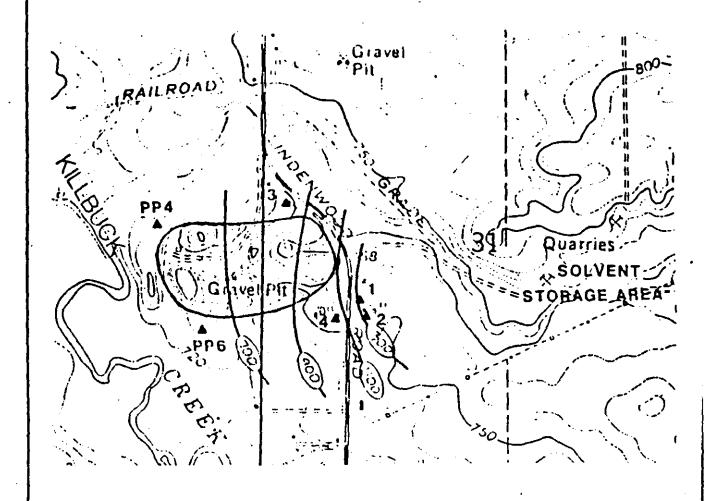
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## ISOCONCENTRATION MAP-CONDUCTIVITY

Pagel Pit Landfill Rockford Blacktop Construction Company Winnebago County, Illinois

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## APPENDIX E

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Monitoring Data Sheet Showing Presence of Arsenic and Other Substances at the Acme Solvents Site

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<sup>2</sup>Cyanide is to be reported as free cyanida

comments section.

## APPENDIX F

"Migration and Degradation Patterns of Volatile Organic Compounds"



MIGRATION AND DEGRADATION PATTERNS OF VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

#### ABSTRACT

MIGRATION AND DEGRADATION PATTERNS OF VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

By Patricia V. Cline and Daniel R. Viste Warzyn Engineering 1409 Emil Street Madison, WI 53713

The mobility and persistence of volatile, chlorinated priority pollutants has been documented at sites across the country. Examples of commonly used solvents include 1,1,1-trichloroethane, trichloroethene, tetrachloroethene, and methylene chloride. At some facilities, other volatile compounds have been detected in significant concentrations, which were never handled or disposed at these same facilities. Some of these other compounds include dichloroethanes, dichloroethenes, chloroethane, and vinyl chloride. Based on recent research (Wood et al., 1981; Parson et al., 1984), these less commonly used solvents can be present as a result of anaerobic degradation of major contaminants (commonly used solvents) within the groundwater system.

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This paper presents data to help clarify under what conditions one may anticipate finding degradation products and discusses their distribution trends. The data presented was compiled from studies conducted at solvent recovery facilities, solid/hazardous waste landfills and solvent contamination near an industrial facility. After review of data from these sites, the following conclusions were drawn:

- When degradation occurs, the parent solvent compounds are at highest concentrations near the source. With distance from the source, increasing proportions of degradation products are present.
- 2. Degradation products are most frequently found near a source containing high concentrations of other organic compounds. These other organics may consist of organic material from a landfill, other non-chlorinated solvents, or high organic content in the soil. These organic compounds appear to increase the rate of parent solvent degradation.
- 3. More complete degradation may occur in the upper portion of the zone of saturation than with depth in the aquifer.

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- 4. Due to the high specific gravity of chlorinated compounds, they will sink through the aquifer when in excess of their solubility until they are adsorbed, dissolved, and/or reach an impermeable layer. Dissolved constituents move with the groundwater as dictated by the hydrogeology of an area.
- 5. Standard analytical protocols for measurement of volatile organic priority pollutants by GC/MS do not distinguish between a highly-toxic priority pollutant and a significantly less hazardous non-priority pollutant degradation product, which is the dominant degradation contaminant present at these sites.

This paper will demonstrate the application of this information to design of specific site investigation programs. Recommendations are proposed for presentation and analysis of data generated during solvent contamination investigations.

\* First time presentation of data.

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## INTRODUCTION

Volatile organic priority pollutants have been detected in ground-water at sites across the country. These compounds are widely used as solvents and are considered mobile and persistent in the environment. Improved analytical methods using gas chromotography and/or mass spectroscopy now allow detection of these synthetic organics to extremely low levels. The presence of the synthetic organics in groundwater coupled with our ability to detect them has resulted in increasing numbers of contamination investigations for these compounds.

Biodegradation is not typically an integral part of todays ground-water investigations. There is considerable controversy regarding whether degradation is an important factor in determining the fate of the chlorinated volatile organic priority pollutant. Increasing evidence indicates chlorinated solvents can be degraded in an anaerobic environment by reductive dehalogenation. The sequential removal of chlorine atoms from halogenated 1 and 2 carbon aliphatic compounds results in formation of other volatile, chlorinated priority pollutants which can be detected during investigations of solvent contamination.

This paper presents data from a variety of sites having documented contamination by chlorinated solvents. This data is examined for patterns predicted by research which indicate reductive dehalogenation may be a primary mechanism for breakdown under specific site conditions. It is reported this process occurs when the oxidation/reduction potential is less than 0.35V.

Research data indicates chlorinated solvents have varying rates of breakdown. Data was therefore evaluated for a dominance of compounds which show longer half-lives, including 1,2-dichloroethenes and vinyl chloride.

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

For purposes of this data evaluation, selected compounds were designated as "parent" compounds based on their widespread use and/or known presence at these specific sites. These compounds include methylene chloride, 1,1,1-trichloroethane, trichlorethene and tetrachloroethene.

Breakdown products are designated as compounds which would result from reductive dehalogenation of these parent compounds and include dichloroethanes, chloroethane, dichloroethenes and vinyl chloride. For purposes of this evaluation, methylene chloride is disregarded, since it is a commonly used solvent, potential degradation product, and common laboratory contaminant. Emphasis is placed therefore on the ethene and ethane series. The breakdown series for the chlorinated ethenes and ethanes is shown below:

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## ANAEROBIC BREAKDOWN SEQUENCE VIA REDUCTIVE DEHALOGENATION

## Chlorinated Ethenes

C1 C1 cis-1,2(2)

Tetrachloroethene(1) 
$$\rightarrow$$
 Trichlorethene(1)  $\rightarrow$  trans-1,2(2)  $\rightarrow$  Vinyl Chloride(2)

1,1-(1)

dichloroethene

## Chlorinated Ethanes

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{C1} & \text{C1} \\ \uparrow \\ 1,1,1-\text{Trichloroethane}(2) \xrightarrow{} 1,1-\text{dichloroethane}(1) \xrightarrow{} \text{chloroethane}(1) \end{array}$$

- (1) Research indicates substantial degradation.
- (2) Research indicates degradation is slow.

In work performed at the Florida International University by Wood and Parsons, biodegradation of either trichloroethene or tetrachloroethene produced higher concentrations of cis-1,2-dichlorethene as compared to the trans-isomer.

Trans-1,2-Dichloroethene is a priority pollutant and has a somewhat lower criteria for drinking water (272 ppb) as compared to the cis-isomer (400 ppb).\* The Environmental Protection Agency's rationale for selection of the trans-isomer as the priority pollutant was based on the availability of the analytical standard.

## DATA PRESENTATION

In our first attempts to correlate the ethene breakdown series with data from our sites, it became apparent that the dominant dichloro-ethene compound detected is trans-1,2-dichlorethene. The cis-isomer is not a priority pollutant and therefore not mentioned in the methods for analysis of the volatile organic priority pollutants using Method 601 or Method 624.

\* Department of Health and Social Services, Interim Health Advisory Opinions (January 24, 1984).



These methods recommend the use of a column composed of 1% SP 1000 on carbopack B. The isomer pair cannot be separated using the above column. In addition, since they have identical mass spectra, the isomer pair will not be differentiated by mass spectrometry and will subsequently be identified as the trans-isomer.

The above was verified by the submittal of a standard mix containing both the cis- and trans-isomers to a prominent midwestern laboratory. Analysis by Method 624 found only the trans-isomer, but the quantitated result equalled the known total of the isomer pair.

The Michigan Department of Health has the capability of separating the cis- and trans-isomers and, in a current investigation, has determined that the major contaminant at a site is not trans-1,2-dichloro-ethene as found by an EPA contract laboratory, but is in fact the cis-isomer. They have indicated that frequently they find the cis-isomer and, if concentrations are high, they occasionally find traces of the trans-isomer.

Based on this information, we conclude that much of what is typically reported as the trans-isomer, which is a priority pollutant, is in fact cis-1,2-dichloroethene. In the subsequent evaluations, we will refer to these compounds as 1,2-dichlorethenes.

## A. Landfills

Landfills which dispose of municipal waste provide an anaerobic environment where substantial breakdown of compounds occurs. At sites which have also accepted waste products containing solvents, a number of volatile organic priority pollutants can be detected in the leachate. Table 1 summarizes the analysis of five leachate samples from Site #1 which accepted both municipal and industrial wastes. The site also received significant quantities of hazardous and nonhazardous liquid wastes. Based on site records of waste accepted, there is a dominance of "breakdown products" at this site.



TABLE 1

LANDFILL LEACHATE
SITE #1

NW	Leachate Sample Numbert				
•	_1_	_2_	3	4	5
Chlorinated Ethanes					
1 Trichlorethanes	ND	68	ND	ND	ND
<pre>2 1,1-Dichloroethane 1,2-Dichloroethane Chloroethane</pre>	1,500 ND ND	240 12 21	130 21 18	11 ND 160	13 ND ND
Chlorinated Ethanes					
1 Tetrachloroethene Trichloroethene	ND ND	13 100	ND 62	ND ND	ND OM
<pre>2 1,2-Dichloroethenes 1,1-Dichloroethene Vinyl Chloride</pre>	3,200 ND ND	990 ND 120	950 ND 59	150 ND 100	' ND ND ND
Other Volatile Priority Pollutants					
Methylene Chloride Toluene Benzene Ethylbenzene 1,2-Dichloropropane	5,300 2,000 ND ND	120 410 30 93 18	770 660 37 64 37	ND 460 110 140 ND	14 58 16 68 ND

All Concentrations are in ug/l.

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<sup>1 -</sup> Parent Compounds
2 - Breakdown Products
ND- <10 ug/l</pre>

Table 2 summarizes the percent of breakdown products detected in groundwater at two other sites where volatile organic contamination has migrated off-site. Site #2 is a small municipal landfill in a sand and gravel environment and Site #3 is a large site in a clay environment which has accepted waste similar to Site #1. At these sites, we have also documented a dominance of the breakdown products in groundwater downgradient from the waste disposal boundaries.

TABLE 2

BREAKDOWN PRODUCTS(1) PRESENT IN CONTAMINATED GROUNDWATER NEAR DISPOSAL FACILITIES

	Site #2 Small Municipal Facility	Site #3 Large Codisposal Facility
Number of Samples from Wells showing Solvent Contamination	10	8
Number of Samples with <50% Breakdown Products	2	0
Number of Samples with 50-75% Breakdown Products	3	0
Number of Samples with 75-100% Breakdown Products	n 5	8

(1) Breakdown defined as monochloro- and dichloro- ethanes and ethenes compared to total chlorinated ethanes and ethenes.

The purpose of presenting data from landfills is to demonstrate that in an anaerobic, high-organic matrix, one is likely to find compounds which are a result of reductive dehalogenation. It is unlikely at these sites that these compounds were the dominant disposal compounds based on site records, general production and common use. Of particular interest is the fact that all eight of the leachate samples from the large co-disposal facility were comprised of greater than 75% breakdown products.

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## B. Solvent Recovery Facilities

The following is a summary of geologic and hydrologic characteristics at two solvent recovery facilities.

AM A	Site 1	Site 2
Location	Connecticut	Wisconsin
Date of Investigation	1980	1983
Geology	Alluvial sands and gravel in relatively impermeable bedrock valley	Thick, sandy glacial till deposits over-lying limestone bedrock
Hydrology	Shallow groundwater, <10', alluvial sands constitute primary municipal aquifer	Till supports only minimal groundwater withdrawal, permeability approximately 10-4 to 10-5 cm/sec. Limestone is aquifer in the area.

Tables 3 and 4 summarize analytical data from the above sites. Both sites handled chlorinated and nonchlorinated solvents. High concentrations of both the chlorinated and nonchlorinated compounds were present near the handling areas on-site. The off-site contamination showed a dominance of the chlorinated compounds. Nonchlorinated compounds detected were priority pollutants. In cases where analyses were performed, the presence of compounds like toluene and benzene were indicative of a much higher concentration of other nonpriority pollutant hydrocarbons.

At the Wisconsin site, dichlorethanes, dichlorethenes and vinyl chloride were detected in significant concentrations in the groundwater. These compounds were not handled at the facility, and this is supported by records of routine gas chromatographic analyses at the recycling facility. Further evaluation failed to indicate the presence of other possible sources of the breakdown products. Information was not available to evaluate this question at the Connecticut site.

An evaluation was then performed to assess whether data from these facilities show patterns which would be a result of anaerobic degradation. The evaluation includes an analysis of the percentage of breakdown products measured at the source and at a downgradient location.



TABLE 3
SOLVENT RECOVERY OPERATIONS

# SUMMARY OF VOLATILE ORGANIC PRIORITY POLLUTANTS DETECTED AT ON-SITE AND DOWNGRADIENT PIEZOMETERS

## CONNECTICUT

	On-Site		250' Downgradient	
	Water Table	At Depth	Water Table	At Depth
Chlorinated Ethanes				
1 1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ND	3,700	260	ND
<sup>2</sup> 1,1-Dichloroethane	8,300	3,000	2,500	ND
Chlorinated Ethenes				
1 Tetrachloroethene Trichloroethene	2,900 39,000	ND 330	34 ND	ND ND
<pre>2 1,2-Dichloroethenes 1,1-Dichloroethene Vinyl chloride</pre>	30,000 ND ND	2,700 ND 200	ND ND ND	4,300 ND 2,700
Other Solvents Detected				
Methylene Chloride Ethylbenzene Toluene	100,000 12,000 34,000	7,000 440 5,100	25 ND ND	3,900 - 3,700 7,600

All Concentrations are in ug/l.

1 - Parent Compounds
2 - Breakdown Products
ND- <10 ug/l</pre>

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TABLE 4
SOLVENT RECOVERY OPERATIONS

# SUMMARY OF VOLATILE ORGANIC PRIORITY POLLUTANTS DETECTED AT ON-SITE AND DOWNGRADIENT PIEZOMETERS

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	On-Site		250' Downgr	adient
	Water Table	Depth	Water Table	Depth
Chlorinated Ethanes				
<pre>1 1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane 1,1,2-Trichloroethane 1,1,1-Trichloroethane</pre>	19,000	ND	ND	ND
	ND	ND	ND	60
	22,000	270,000	ND	20,000
<pre>2 1,2-Dichloroethane 1,1-Dichloroethane Chloroethane</pre>	ND	ND	ND	230
	ND	6,200	ND	5,100
	ND	ND	ND	90
Chlorinated Ethenes				
1 Tetrachloroethene	ND	22,000	ND	610
Trichloroethene	63,000	250,000	ND	1,000
<pre>2 1,2-Dichloroethenes 1,1-Dichloroethene Vinyl Chloride</pre>	30,000	8,700	ND	47,000
	ND	ND	ND	720
	ND	ND	ND	210
Other Solvents Detected				
Methylene Chloride	230,000	170,000	ND	20,000
Benzene	12,000	ND	ND	20
Ethylbenzene	28,000	9,200	ND	630
Toluene	100,000	42,000	ND	4,100

All Concentrations are in ug/l.

1 - Parent Compounds 2 - Breakdown Products ND- <10 ug/l

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To illustrate trends, data has been summarized showing results of the priority pollutant analyses for a water table well and piezometer located on-site showing the highest concentrations, as well as a downgradient water table well and piezometer. At both of the sites, primarily horizontal hydraulic gradients were observed such that higher concentrations of contaminants were anticipated at the water table wells.

Figure 1 shows the total volatile organic concentrations detected at the above described well locations for both sites and the percentage of breakdown products as compared to the sum of the chlorinated ethanes and ethenes.

Both of the sites exhibited high levels of chlorinated organic contamination at the source. Nonchlorinated organics were also present at the sources in high concentrations, providing a nonchlorinated carbon source. These nonchlorinated organic compounds were present in highest concentrations at the water table. At the Wisconsin site, a floating layer of fuel oil type material was detected at one well.

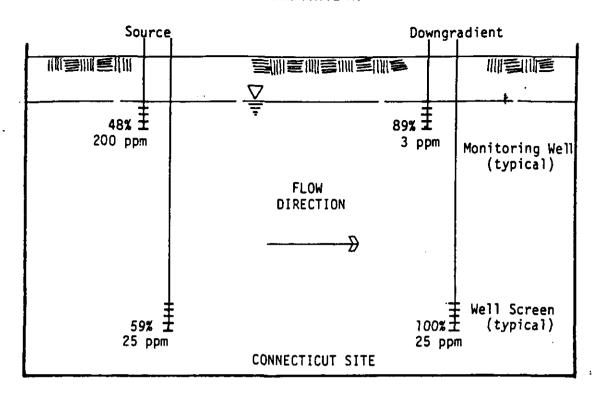
With distance downgradient from the source, the contaminants were detected at greater concentrations with depth even though groundwater flow was near horizontal. There are various explanations for this phenomenon, including changing groundwater flow patterns, recharge, or impermeable barriers which may have hampered migration of contaminants to the water table wells. These parameters will be evaluated further with additional hydrogeologic study, where funding is available.

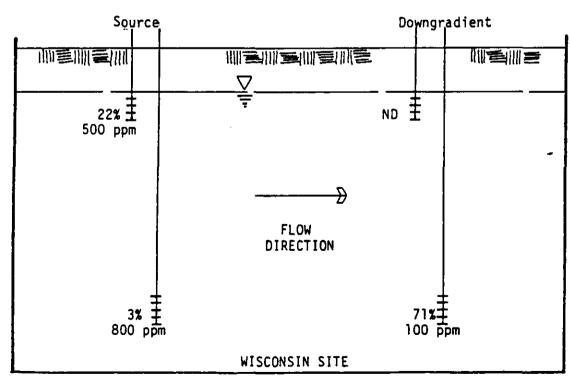
Other explanations include density effects, volatilization and selective degradation. It is well documented that chlorinated compounds will sink in the aquifer at the source when in excess of the solubility of water. For subsequent density effects to be apparent in the contaminated groundwater where concentrations are lower, the overall density of that solution must be greater than that of background water quality. Preliminary calculations indicate that at the concentrations measured at the sites, the density difference would not be sufficient to account for sinking of the contaminated groundwater plumes.

The EPA has indicated that a primary environmental fate for these compounds in aquatic systems would be volatilization. Although it is recognized that some volatilization will occur from the water table, upward diffusion through the groundwater to reach the water table surface and subsequent diffusion through the soils would significantly reduce the rate of loss of these compounds via that mechanism. In drier climates, this may account for a more substantial loss from the water table.



FIGURE 1
BREAKDOWN PATTERNS





% Values = % Breakdown Products
ppm Values = Total of all Volatile Priority Pollutants

Selective degradation is presented as another possible explanation for preferential loss of the constituents at the water table wells. It is understood that biodegradation of chlorinated compounds may be related to presence of other carbon sources by co-metabolism. Solvent recovery operations can provide a nonchlorinated carbon source which tends to accumulate near the water table surface. These compounds are typically not detected with distance from the source, due to rapid breakdown, and may be responsible for preferential loss of the chlorinated compounds from the more shallow zone of the aquifer. The breakdown of the chlorinated compounds can occur rapidly in the presence of a nonchlorinated carbon source which promotes rapid co-metabolism to dehalogenate the chlorinated compounds. The data suggests that degradation continues to occur at depth, perhaps at a slower rate.

## C. Industrial Site

For purposes of contrast with sites which have high levels of contamination, and a substantial carbon source, we have presented data from an industrial site having primarily sandy soils, shallow groundwater and little or no detectable nonchlorinated organic priority pollutants. Table 5 summarizes data near an industrial facility which was monitored due to contamination of a city well with chlorinated compounds.

Three major contrasts with data from the solvent recovery facilities are noted:

- Overall contaminant concentrations detected are lower and all compounds are chlorinated.
- A dominance of the parent compounds exists.
- 3. The plume was detected in highest concentrations at the water table wells. The lack of a significant carbon source to promote degradation can account for the minimal breakdown occurring at the industrial site.

TABLE 5
INDUSTRIAL SITE SOLVENT CONTAMINATION SUMMARY

Well	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	Trichloroethene	1,1-Dichloroethene
1	ND	81	ND
2	13,800	2,040	250
3	2,660	410	ND
4	7	1	ND
5	8	2	ND
6	ND	68	ND
7	10	12	ND

All Concentrations are in ug/l. ND - <1 ug/l



## SUMMARY

Parameters which would help to determine biodegradation activity are typically not incorporated into standard hydrogeologic investigations. A better understanding of the role of degradation could be obtained through a more comprehensive investigative program including biological assessment as well as the standard groundwater flow and chemistry analyses.

Data from our investigations suggest that if a site has a substantial carbon source, anaerobic degradation will occur resulting in the development of dichloro- and or monochloro- ethane and ethene compounds. The presence of these compounds follows the predictions in the literature regarding the degradability of these compounds. In addition, the research indicates that the cis-isomer of 1,2-dichloroethene is formed during degradation and is more typically present in these investigations than the priority pollutant trans-isomer.

A floating organic layer near a contamination site may enhance the rate of degradation near the water table as the chlorinated compounds would more readily be co-metabolized in that zone of the aquifer.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

At sites where degradation is indicated, additional measurements should be made to better understand the potential role and controlling mechanisms of biodegradation: This would include measurement of the overall organic content in the indicated water or soil, measurements of oxidation reduction potential (Eh) and density measurements of the contaminated groundwater. During data interpretation, one can evaluate the presence of breakdown products and the pattern of their occurence in relation to the parent compounds. It is also recommended that one report "1,2-dichloroethenes" without specifying the specific cis- or trans-isomer, unless that specific distinction can be made by the analytical laboratory.

It is hoped that increased awareness of the conditions under which maximum degradation can occur will improve the approach and substantially increase the conclusions which can be drawn from groundwater contamination investigations.

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## APPENDIX G

"Anaerobic Transformation, Transport and Removal of Volatile Chlorinated Organics in Groundwater"

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ANAEROBIC TRANSFORMATION, TRANSPORT AND REMOVAL OF VOLATILE CHLORINATED ORGANICS IN GROUNDWATER

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INTRODUCTION
Our research over the last five years has shown that groundwater can contain form low levels (less than 1 µg/L) to high levels (over 1 gram/L) of a family of chemical compounds which can be classified as low solubility volatile to the containty of the last the containty of the last levels to make the containty of the last levels to the last levels

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Aronatics:

Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, etc.

Chlorinated arcmatics:

Mono and Dichlorobenzenes, etc.

Chlorinated (Halogenated)

Alkanes:

Chloroethane, methylene chloride, 1,1- and 1,1,1- and other chloroethanes, trihalomethanes, and higher molecula weight halogenated

alkanes.

Chlorinated ethenes:

Vinyl chloride, vinylidene chloride, cis and trans 1,2-dichlorcethylene, trichlorcethylene and tetrachloroethylene.

Many of these compounds are included in the Environmental Protection Agency Priority Pollutant List. The list in Table I is by no means complete. This report covers our research work on 1.) anaerobic transformation of parent compounds introduced in the aquifer, 2.) transport of parent and biodegraded daughter compounds in the aquifer as measured at actual contaminated aquifer sites and 3.) decontamination of an aquifer site with resulting reclamation and use of the contaminated water.

Source of Contamination

We have studied actual contaminated aquifer sites to a depth of approximately 200 feet, finding the compounds listed in Table I. The source of many of the compounds listed in Table I is the result of the original compound accidentally spilled or dumped on the ground. For example, hydrocarbon fuels contain the aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons listed in Table I. Also, some of the chlorinated

methane, ethane and ethylene compounds originate from usage of the common cleaning and degreasing compounds listed in Table II.

TABLE II. ANNUAL U.S. PRODUCTION (1979) OF FOUR CHLORINATED SOLVENIS

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	lbs.
Methylene Chloride	625,000,000
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	700,000,000
Trichlorcethylene	325,000,000
Tetrachlorcethylene	750,000,000
Total	2,400,000,000

Our initial research work was prompted by the presence of compounds in the aquifer, supplying our drinking water plants, which seemed to have no logical source. These included such compounds as vinyl chloride, 1,1-dichloroethene, cis and trans 1,2-dichloroethene, 1,1-dichloroethane and chloroethane. These latter chemicals are either not actually produced or are not in wide use across the whole country as are the patent compounds in Table II. In Ref. 1, we showed that these compounds in the aquifer are the result of anaerobic biodegradation of the three latter parent compounds listed in Table II.

Anaerobic Transformation of Parent Compounds

In Ref. 1., we showed in the laboratory that anaerobic bacteria found in groundwater were able to transform parent compounds into the following daughter compounds:

Carbon tetrachloride ——> chloroform ——> methylene chloride

Tetrachloro——> trichloro——> cis 1,2-dichloroethene trans 1,2-dichloroethene chloride

trans 1,2-dichloroethene chloride

1,1,1-trichloroethane ---> 1,1-dichloroethane ---> chloroethane

The laboratory work resulted in biodegradation halflife values for the parent and daughter compounds (based on our particular laboratory conditions) as shown in Table III. A half-life value of "long" represents no detectable reduction of the compound under the test conditions over a time period of observation averaging 30 to 60 days.

TABLE III. BIODEGRADATION AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF INTEREST ON THE VOLATILE ORTANICS FOUND IN GROUNDWATER

	(đays)	solubility PPM		<pre>four series    aeration    stage</pre>
vinyl chloride	long	2700?	5.2	94
trans 1,2-dichloroathene	long	6300	0.16	87
cis 1,2-dichloroethene	long	3500	0.29	85
1,1-dichloroethene	53	8000	0.62	88
trichloroethylene	43	1100	0.48	86
tetrachloroethylene	34	130	1.2	89
methyl chloride	est.<11			
methylene chloride	11	19400	0.1	82
chloroform	36	8200	0.15	87
carbon tetrachloride	14	800	0.97	89
bromodichloromethane	-	6060	0.099	82
chlorodibromomethane	<b>–</b>	5190	0.043	80
bromoform .		4240	0.023	78
chloroethane	10			
1,2-dichloroethane	long	8700	0.05	80
1,1-dichloroethane	long	5100	0.24	84
1,1,2-trichloroethane	24	<del></del>		<b></b> .
1,1,1-trichloroethane	16 -	720 <sup>-</sup>	1.2	29
benzene		1780	0.23	85
chlorobenzene *	_	483	0.13	85
p-dichlorobenzene	<b>-</b>	79	0.11	82
o-dichlorobenzene		145	0.083	81

In some of the laboratory work using different actual muck-water samples, we found bacteria profiles which seemed to result in loss by biodegradation of injected parent compound, tetrachloroethylene, with only trace amounts of daughter compounds detected. Thus, as the aquifer bacteria profile changes, different end results may occur. Anaerobic bacteria were isolated from groundwater and muck-water samples and cultured in laboratory media in the presence of tetrachloroethylene. Tentative conclusions on biodegradation of tetrachloroethylene by specific bacteria were as follows:

- 1. C. cadaveris and/or C. limosum and/or G+ cocci (tetrads) may, in the course of biodegrading tetrachloro-ethylene, favor the heavy growth of trichloroethylene and cis 1,2-dichloroethene, with some methylene chloride and/or 1,1-dichloroethene production.
- 2. Big G+ rods and filaments (2 x 10 Trichome) may, alone or in the presence of G+ cocci (tetrads), result in tetrachloroethylene biodecay with minor formation of chlorinated by-products.
- 3. C. limosum alone may result in tetrachloroethylene biodecay with minor formation of chlorinated by-products. The same applies to a mix of P. maltophilia and P. fluorescens alone.
- 4. P. maltophilia alone may favor heavy growth of chlorinated by-products.

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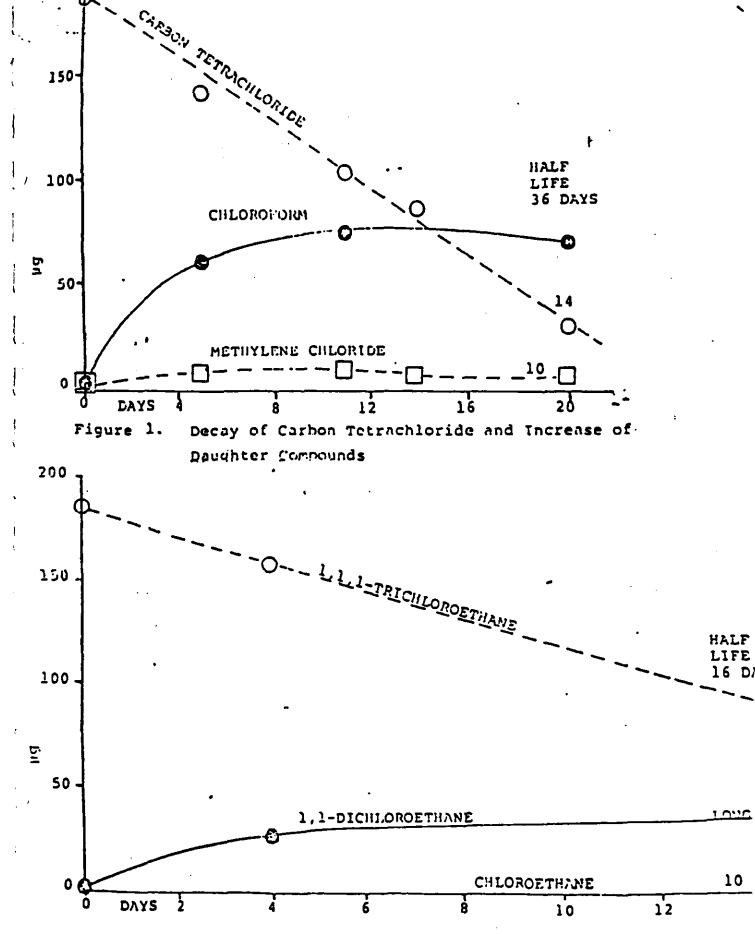


Figure 2. Decay of 1,1,1-trichloroethane and Increase of Daughter Compounds

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Decontamination of Aquifer and Water Reclamination.

It was recognized that at a spill site, it would be desirable to have a practical method of decontaminating the initial spill site and the downstream aquifer to prevent the spread of the contamination plume and reclaim the contaminated water. These were the topics of our research reported in Ref. 2, a great deal of which was pased on our aeration research work in Ref. 3.

An actual spill site was chosen, but before a spray head aeration system could be designed for the specific site, it was necessary to determine the parameters affecting rate loss of the volatile compounds by spray head aeration. Spraying Systems Co., Wheaton, Ill., supplied a series of spray nozzles. The series covered a wide range of water flow rates and spray pattern types as available in their Industrial Catalog 27. Some of the nozzle types studied are listed in Table IV.

TABLE IV. SOME OF THE SPRAY SYSTEMS CO. SPRAY NOZZLES . STUDIED IN THIS PROJECT

Nozzle No.	Spray Pattern	Water flow rate gal/min
4 CRC 250	Hollow Cone (45°)	300 at 10 psi
1 1/2 H 20	Full Cone (74°)	24 at 10 psi
2 H 35	Full Cone (75°)	42 at 10 psi
2 H 47 W	Full Cone (124°)	55 at 10 psi
2 H 151150	Full Cone (15°)	58 at 10 psi
2 H 50	Full Cone (83°)	59 at 10 psi
4 H 154500	Full Cone (15°)	225 at 10 psi
4 RR 65160	Full Cone (65°)	279 at 10 psi
3/4 FF-18	Fog jet	13 at 20 psi
1/2 29F-35	Fog jet	25 at 20 psi
1/4 FF-70	Pog jet	50 at 20 psi

The above nozzles were tested individually at well sites with varying levels of volatile organic chemical concentrations, ranging from combined levels of contamination of over one hundred thousand  $_{\rm H} {\rm g}/{\rm L}$  to very low levels of less than 10  $_{\rm H} {\rm g}/{\rm L}$ . The nozzles were positioned eight feet above the ground and sprayed either up or down at varying water flow rates and pressures. When the spray pattern was directed upward, the average distance of water droplet travel was estimated. Some of the data obtained are presented in the following log  ${\rm H_{IPC}}$  versus percent removal graphs.

In Figure 4., a plot of log  $\rm H_{IPC}$  versus percent removal for six contaminants at total contaminant levels of 11  $\mu g/L$ , 131  $\mu g/L$ , 4648  $\mu g/L$  and 130,170  $\mu g/L$  shows that for a spray head aeration system, as found or other aeration systems in Ref. 2, the rate loss is the same regardless of concentration (as long as contaminants are completely dissolved).

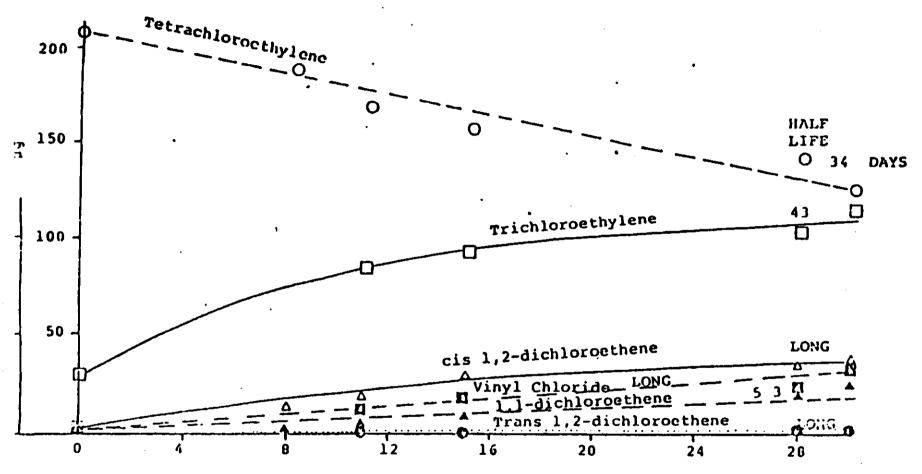


Figure 3. Decay of Tetrachlorothylene and Increase of Daughter Compounds

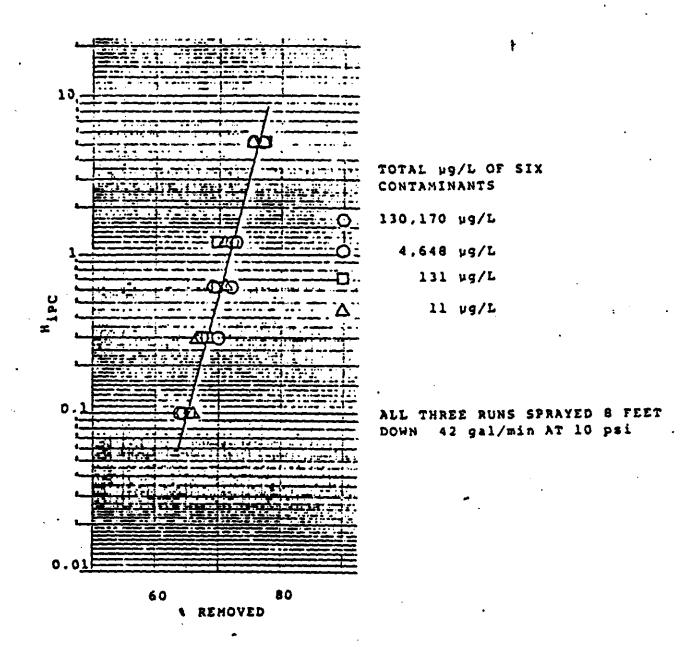


FIGURE 4. REMOVAL DATA FOR SIX CONTAMINANTS THROUGH SPRAY NOZZLE 2H35

tems, that in a spray head agration system, log Hipc versus percent removal is approximately a straight line plot. For any agration system, once this plot is established, with at least data points for two compounds, then the rate loss in the system for any volatile compound can be predicted if its Hipc is known. Also, from such a plot if the initial concentration for any compound in water is known, we can predict the final concentration after one or more passes through the spray head system and thus can design a system to achieve any final concentration desired, fincluding zero.

Figures 5, 6, and 7, show the removal results through three spray heads, sprayed down eight feet and then up starting at the same level of eight feet. The water flow rate and psi (energy input) was the same when sprayed up or down. In each case the average distance of water droplet travel was estimated. For the same energy input, spraying upward resulted in a much greater percent removal in all three cases. The average water droplet travel distance for the upward spray was 24 feet, 16 feet and 32 feet in Figures 5, 6 and 7 respectively, compared to 8 feet in the downward spray. From all the data collected, it became apparent that the droplet travel distance was the controlling factor in the removal rate. For example, this is illustrated by the vinyl chloride data in Figure 5. downward spray test, the initial concentration of vinyl chloride was 232 Mg/L and spraying eight feet down reduced the concentration to 53 µg/L, a removal rate of 77 percent. In the upward spray test run, where the average droplet travel distance was 24 feet, the initial concentration was 220 yg/L and the final concentration was 2.3 yg/L, a removal rate of 99 percent. We can consider the data in two ways; one, if the eight feet down test was performed three times in series with a removal rate of 77 per pass, the initial concentration of 232  $\mu g/L$  would be reduced to 2.8  $\mu g/L$ , which is very close to the 2.3  $\mu g/L$  obtained in the upward spray test which was equal to a series of three eight-feet droplet travel times (24 feet-8 feet = 3), of two, we can take the upward spray data and calculate the percent removal for three eight feet passes in series. This calculates out to 78 percent removal per eight feet Section.

initial cone = 220 
$$\mu g/L \times (.22) = 48$$
  $\mu g/L$   
- 48  $\mu g/L \times (.22) = 10.6$   $\mu g/L$   
10.6  $\mu g/L \times (.22) = 2.3$   $\mu g/L$ 

This eight feet section removal value for each compound in the upward spray test is plotted in Figure 5, and they all fall near the linear curve in Figure 5 for the eight feet downward spray test. The same calculations are shown in Figures 6 and 7. Thus, it appears that the rate loss is proportional to droplet travel distance. If the rate loss is determined for any unit distance, eight feet for example, we can calculate the rate loss for any other travel distance.

Early in the spray head research program, it became obvious that a hollow cone spray pattern was undesirable.

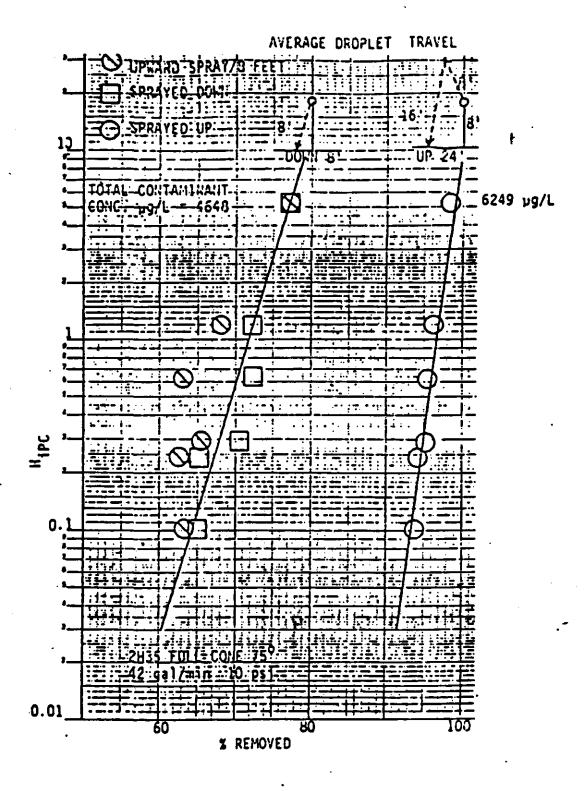
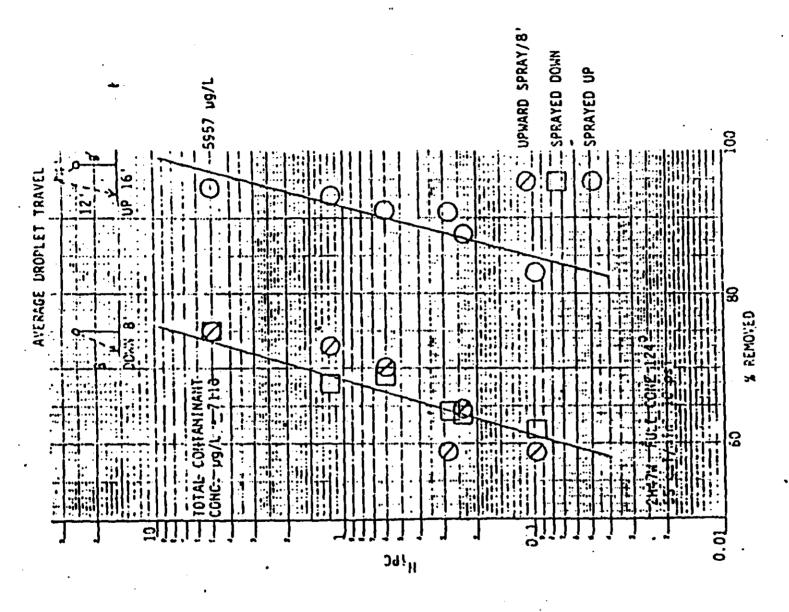


FIGURE 5. PERCENT REDUCTION OF SIX CONTAMINANTS THROUGH SPRAY HEAD 2H35 SPRAYED UP AND DOWN



PERCENT REDUCTION OF SIX CONTANINANTS THROUGH SPRAY HEAD 2H47H SPRAYED UP AND DOWN FIGURE

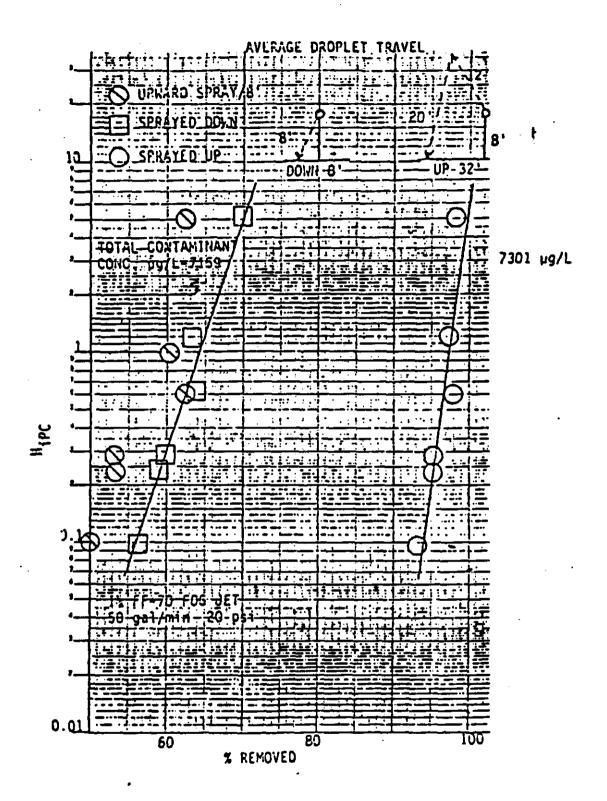


FIGURE 7. PERCENT REDUCTION OF SIX CONTAMINANTS THROUGH SPRAY HEAD 14 FF-70 SPRAYED UP AND DOWN

in a full cone spray pattern, the same volume of water would be broken up into smaller water displets, resulting in higher percent removals. For comparison, even when nozzle 4CRC250 was sprayed coward, the removal race was almost identical to the removal rate for nozzle 2035 sprayed downward (Figure 5). Of course, the two tests cannot be directly compared since the water flow rates at 10 psi are Water droplet size greatly, influences rate different. The droplet size in the 4CRC250 run was much larger than in the 2H35 run. The effect of droplet size can be seen in Figure 8, where a series of full cone spray nozzles In all three runs at 10 psi, the average was studied. droplet travel distance was approximately equal. The major difference was in droplet size, larger as water volume in-In Figure 8, the 24 and 42 gal/min heads gave creased. much higher percent removals. Data points based on this one series of data do not show much difference between the 24 and 42 flow rates. Repeated runs would probably indicate a preference for the lower flow rate.

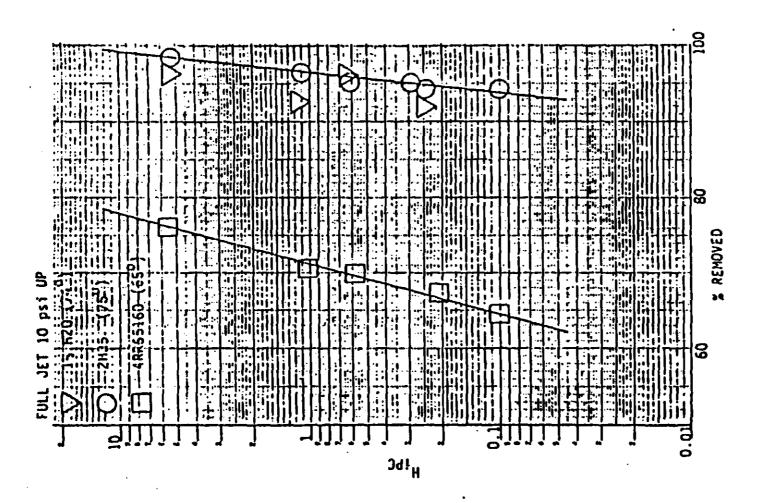
Spraying Systems fog nozzles produce the smallest water droplets. Results with three fog nozzles are shown in Figure 9. The fog nozzles require a minimum pressure of 20 psi for fogging to occur. However, the removal curve in Figure 9 for the 25 and 50 gal/min runs is almost identical to the curve in Figure 8 for the 24 and 42 gal/min runs using full cone spray nozzles. In Figure 9, the three data points for the 13 gal/min run appear to fall on a line to the right of the other two runs. In this run, 99 plus percent was being removed, making accuracy of data plots questionable. From all of the data, it appears that in general we desire a small droplet, but must weigh droplet size with other requirements. In our case where the water was to be purified and then used, maximum recovery of water was es-Fog nozzles would result in losses due to partisential. Therefore, for maximum recovery it was more efcal drift. ficient to use full cone nozzles.

Additional tests showed that nozzle 2H50 gave consistantly better removal rates than 2H35. Therefore, 2H50 was chosen for the spray head aeration system.

### Spray Head Aeration System Design

The finished four stage series unit is shown in Figure 10. The first stage to be built was the elevated stage to the right. It was originally a cascade aerator with a single column approximately six feet tall in the center of a 17 by 17 foot basin reservoir. The basin reservoir capacity was increased and a 14 foot cypress wall box constructed over the basin to retain all the water spray. A nine inch air gap was maintained between the top of the concrete basin and the bottom of the cypress wall. Twenty 2850 spray heads were equally spaced just above the water level in the basin, spraying upward at 10 psi, each head could handle a flow of approximately 60 gal of water per minute. The requirement was 1000 gal/min through the unit. Twenty spray heads would handle 1200 gal/min.

The top of the spray pattern was approximately two feet from the top of the cypress wall. The maximum droplet travel distance was approximately 70 feet, 13 feet up and



EFFECT OF WATER FLOW RATE ON PERCENT REMOVAL FIGURE

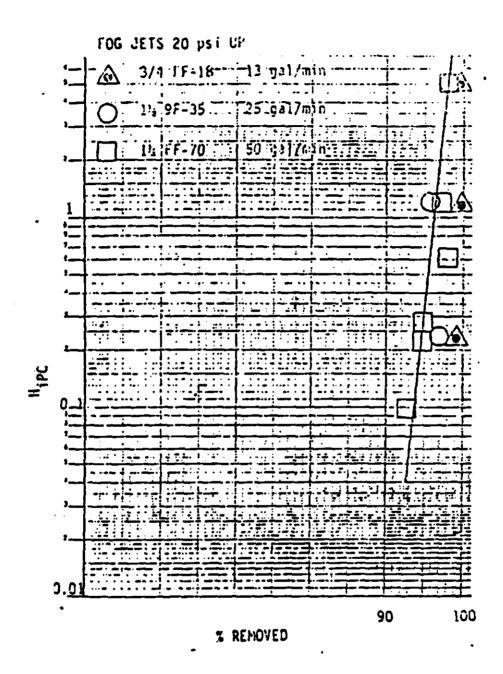


FIGURE 9. REMOVAL DATA USING FINE PARTICLE SPRAY FOG NOZZLES

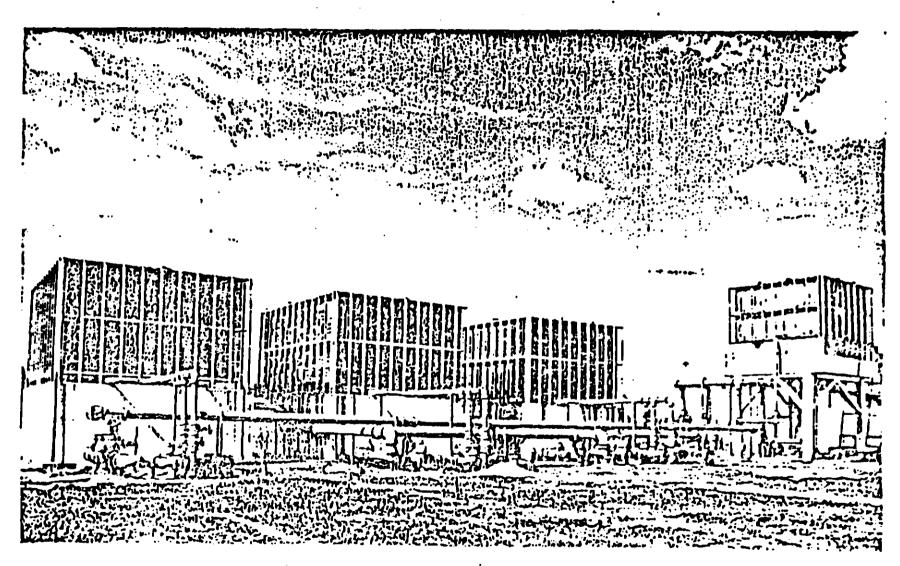


FIGURE 10. FOUR SERIES SPRAY HEAD AERATION SYSTEM INSTALLATION FOR AQUIFER DECONTAMINATION

13 feet down. We had no idea how the individual nozzle spray patterns would interact with closely spaced neighboring nozzles. However, the performance of the unit was excellent, prompting design and construction of three more units in series. These units have a concrete reservoir base 20'x25'x6' deep (approximately 20,000 gal capacity). The cypress walls are 14 feet high, with a one foot air gap between the bottom of the cypress wall and top of the concrete wall. Again, twenty 2850 spray heads were evenly spaced in each unit just above the surface of the water in the basin. The pump for each unit handled 1500 gal/min and the unit received 1000 gal/min from the wells. Thus, the pump draws 500 gal/min from the reservoir. A view down into the cypress walls is shown in Figure 11. After construction of the four stage aeration unit, it was tested with water from one well with high levels of contaminants. Results are shown in Table V.

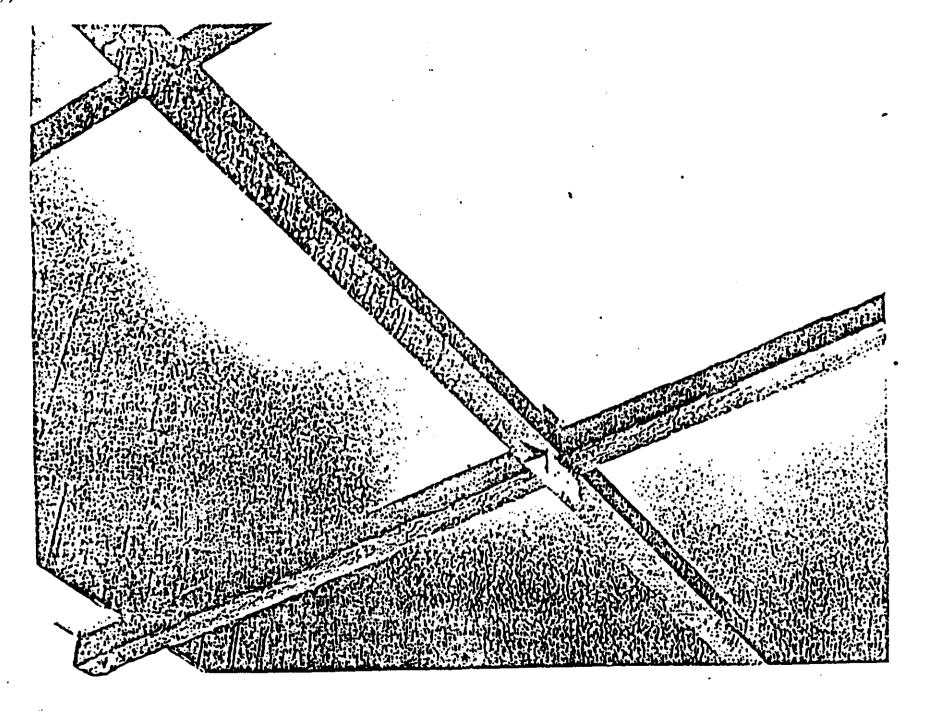
TABLE V CONCENTRATION OF FOUR MAIN VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS IN WATER ON INITIAL TEST RUN OF FOUR STAGE AERATION UNIT

	<u> </u>	g/L
	entering 1st stage	4th stage effluent
Vinyl Chloride	665	0
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	1220	0.2
cis 1,2-dichlorcethene	360	0.1
1,1-dichlorcethene	3150	2.0

A plot of removal data for the first three stages is shown in Figure 12. Fourth stage data are not included because accuracy of data in the 0 to 0.1  $\mu$ g/L range is doubtful. In Figure 12, it is apparent that the percent removal is approximately equal for all three stages, as expected. For example, considering removal data for 1,1,1-trichloroethane, approximately 89 percent was removed by each stage. The first stage received 1220  $\mu$ g/L and reduced the value by 89 percent, to 134  $\mu$ g/L. The second stage reduced this value to 15  $\mu$ g/L. The third stage reduced this value to 1.6  $\mu$ g/L. The fourth stages reduced this value to 0.2  $\mu$ g/L.

The water droplet size from the 2H50 nozzles was large enough to result in minimal loss of water through the system by spray drift.

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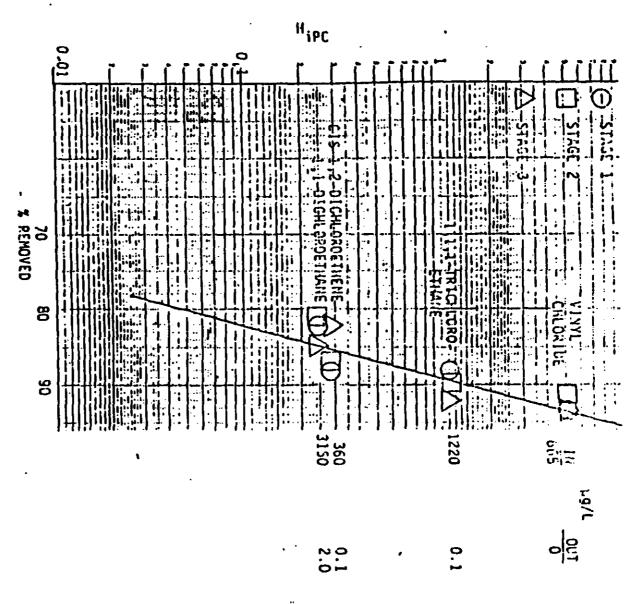


FIGURE REMOYAL DATA FOR FIRST THREE STAGES IN FOUR STAGE SPRAY HEAD AERATION SYSTEM

The data in Table VI illustrates what the four stage unit would do if higher influent levels were introduced.

Table VI PROJECTED FOUR STAGE SPRAY HEAD AERATION UNIT PERFORMANCE ON HIGH CONCENTRATION VOLATILE ORGANIC CONTAMINATED WATER

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10.000	600	36	2.2	0.1
100,00d	10,000	1,000	100	10
20,000	2,900	440	65	10
15,000	2,440	390	63	10
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Table III shows the percent removed per stage for a wide range of volatile organic contaminants based on Hipc.

If recovery of the maximum amount of water through a spray head aeration system was not important, much greater removal rates could be achieved than shown in Tables III,V and VI. For example, using a 3/4 FF-18 fog jet nozzle (Table IV), the rate loss for 1,1-dichloroethane (the hardest compound in Table VI to remove) would be 15,000  $\mu$ g/L to 150  $\mu$ g/L to 1.5  $\mu$ g/L in just three passes. Even higher removal rates would be achieved if the fog nozzle was positioned high off the ground.

After six months of operation, not only is the spray aeration system producing water of potable quality, but it is decontaminating the groundwater. By continuing to pump water from the wells in the contamination plume, down gradient movement of contaminants is prevented. Consequently, the well field-aeration system is acting as an effective contaminant containment and clean up scheme.

#### CONCLUSIONS

- 1. This study indicates that the source of the highly volatile chlorethene compounds, vinyl chloride, 1,1-dichloroethene, cis and trans 1,2-dichloroethene in our raw ground water is likely a result of biodegradation of trichloroethylene and/or tetrachloroethylene which are found widely spred in the environment as a result of our wide-spred use of these compounds.
- 2. A simple laboratory method was developed for assaying biodegradation of highly volatile chlorinated organic compounds in water, soils and sediments, and bacteria culture media.
- 3. All of the chlorinated methane, ethane and ethene compounds studied appear to be susceptible to biodegradation in the environment.
- 4. A rate of biodegradation technique, based on the assumption that the degradation slope observed was constant in the test conditions, appeared to provide a plausible answer or assigned biodegradation half life values for all the compounds tested under anaerobic conditions favoring daughter compound formation.
- 5. The bacterial population profile of a given system, which varies seasonally, appears to determine the intermediate biodegraded chlorinated organic compound profile in the system.
  - Certain bacterial profiled, for example, will reduce all the tetrachloroethylene present in a given time, with the formation of only intermittent trace quantities of lower chlorinated compounds.
  - Other bacterial profiles will reduce tetrachloroethylene with the formation of all possible lower chlowinated compounds present.
- 6. The resulting concentration of the lower chlorinated compounds may be dependent on the individual half life of each product and the favored end product of biodegradation in a given system.
  - For example, biodegradation of tri- and/or tetrachloroethylene favors the production of cis over trans 1,2-dichloroethene by a factor of approximately 25:1. Therefore, while the biodegradation half life of the two compounds (cis and trans), in a bacterial profile system where they are formed, is long and perhaps equal, the concentration of cis will always be much greater than for trans.
- 7. Using an estimation of biodegradation half life technique for the families of chlorinated compounds studied, we may be able to understand and predict the chlorinated organic profile and transport in an environmental system after introduction of any single member of the family.

Field data from actual below-ground accidental spills of these halogenated parent compound in Florida and 8. other states has confirmed our laboratory biodegradation results.

Tentative conclusions are presented for specific bacteria activity in the biodegradation of tetrachloro-

ethylene under laboratory conditions.

Spray head aeration is very effective for removal of a wide range of volatile organic contaminants in 10. water. No forced air is necessary. Spray heads are available covering a wide range of applications.

Predicting performance and designing systems is now 11. based on our research,

application.

Merits of such a system are; water reclamation and reuse, prevention of contaminated plume spreading in 12. the aquifer and aquifer decontamination.

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### CHAPTER 3

### LINING MATERIALS AND LINING TECHNOLOGY

### 3.1 INTRODUCTION

The purpose of lining a waste disposal site is to prevent potentially polluting constituents of the impounded waste from seeping from the site and entering the groundwater or surface water system in the proximity of the site. The pollutants, as discussed in Chapter 2, include organic and inorganic materials, solids, liquids, gases, and bacteriological species. In their performance liners function by two mechanisms:

- a. They impede the flow of leachates and thereby limit the movement of pollutants into the subsoil and thence into the groundwater. This requires a liner material having low permeability.
- b. They absorb or attenuate suspended or dissolved pollutants, whether organic or inorganic, and reduce their concentrations so that they fall within the ranges set by the EPA for groundwater. This absorptive or attenuative capability is dependent largely upon the chemical composition of the liner material and its mass.

Most liner materials function by both mechanisms but to different degrees depending on the type of liner material and the waste liquid and its constituents. Membrane liners are the least permeable of the liner materials, but have little capacity to absorb materials from the waste. They can absorb organic material but, due to their small mass, their total absorption is small. Soils can have a large capacity to absorb materials of different types, but they are considerably more permeable than polymeric membranes. However, the greater the thickness of a given soil, the lower the flux through the liner. The choice of a particular liner material for a given site will depend upon many factors which are discussed throughout this Technical Resource Document. In this chapter, the major candidate materials for use as liners are discussed.

For the purpose of this Technical Resource Document, we consider a liner to be a material constructed or fabricated by man. Such a definition includes not only synthetic membranes and admixes but also soils and clays having low permeability which are (1) either brought to a site or available on the site and (2) remolded and compacted to reduce permeability.

Liners can be classified in a variety of ways, such as construction method, physical properties, permeability, composition, and type of service. These

d. The higher the moisture content during compaction, the more critically important is the density obtained, e.g. a small decrease in density (1%) may result in a permeability increase of one order of magnitude.

The subject of soil permeability will be discussed further in Chapter 4 and 5.

Chapter 4 will present more detailed information on the interaction between liquid chemistry, clay physicochemical and mineralogical properties, and permeability. The discussion will be made in the context of soil liner failure, i.e. an increase in permeability beyond the designed value.

Chapter 5 will present the information required to design a soil liner, the use of this information, and the permeability values to be reached in different circumstances.

### 3.3 ADMIXED LINING MATERIALS

### 3.3.1 Introduction

A variety of admixed or formed-in-place liners have been successfully used in the impoundment and conveyance of water. These linings include asphalt concrete, soil cement, and soil asphalt, all of which are hard-surface materials. The amount of experience in the use of some of the admixes in the lining of sanitary landfills and the lining of impoundments of brine is limited. Materials of this type have undergone exposure testing in contact with municipal solid waste leachate (Haxo and White, 1976; Haxo et al, 1982) in one EPA research project, and are undergoing limited exposure testing in a second project with hazardous wastes (Haxo et al, 1977). In this section the following types of admixes are discussed: hydraulic asphalt concrete, soil cement, and soil asphalt. Bentonite clay is also discussed in this section, as it is usually a processed product which is spread and mixed into on-site soil, and thus can be considered an admixed material.

### 3.3.2 Hydraulic Asphalt Concrete (HAC)

Hydraulic asphalt concretes, used as liners for hydraulic structures and waste disposal facilities, are controlled hot mixtures of asphalt cement and high quality mineral aggregate, compacted into a uniform dense mass. They are similar to highway paving asphalt concrete but have a higher percentage of mineral fillers and a higher percentage (usually 6.5 to 9.5) of asphalt cement. The asphalt used in hydraulic asphalt cement is usually a hard grade, such as 40-50 or 60-70 penetration grade. These harder asphalts are better suited as liners than softer paving asphalt (Asphalt Institute, 1976).

A major factor in the design of a hydraulic asphalt mix for use as a liner to confine wastes is the selection of an aggregate that is compatible with the waste. For example, aggregate containing carbonates must be avoided in HAC liners for acidic wastes.

Hydraulic asphalt concrete can be compacted to have a permeability coefficient less than  $1 \times 10^{-7}$  cm s<sup>-1</sup>. It is resistant to the destructive wave action of water, light vehicular traffic, and effects of weather extremes (temperature). Such asphalt concrete is stable on side slopes, resisting slip and creep, and retains enough flexibility to conform to slight deformations of the subgrade and avoid rupture from low level seismic activity. Asphalt concrete liners may be placed with conventional paving equipment and compacted to the required thickness (Asphalt Institute, 1966).

Styron and Fry (1979) used 11 percent asphalt in a two-inch asphalt concrete liner to obtain the necessary permeability. Haxo et al (1982) used a nine percent asphalt concrete, but after one year of exposure to leachate from a simulated landfill, determined that due to potential inhomogeneities in the admixed materials, resulting from inadequate mixing or compaction, a liner thickness greater than four inches may be necessary to contain wastes (Table 3-3). The HAC liner examined after 56 months of exposure was in good condition; properties had changed very little since the first specimen was examined at one year of exposure. A study by Southern California Edison showed that an optimal compacted thickness, for a pond holding primarily water, was two layers of two inches each for a total thickness of four inches (Hinkle, 1976).

The quality of the finished liner depends on the compaction during placement (Bureau of Reclamation, 1963, p 40). The liner should be compacted to at least 97% of the density obtained by the Marshall Method (Asphalt Institute, 1976) or less than 4% voids (Asphalt Institute, 1981). Hinkle (1976) found that a voids content less than 2.5% produced a permeability of less than 0.001 ft/yr (1 x  $10^{-9}$  cm s<sup>-1</sup>), as shown in Table 3-4. Samples containing 8.5% asphalt at 97% compaction, in a pressurized permeameter, showed no observable flow (Hinkle, 1976).

Before placement of the liner, the subgrade should be properly prepared. It should not have side slopes greater than 2:1 and preferably no greater than 3:1 (Asphalt Institute, 1966). The soil should be treated with a soil sterilant to prevent puncture of the liner by weeds and roots (Asphalt Institute, 1966). Mixtures of sodium chlorate and borates are examples of such soil sterilants (Bureau of Reclamation, 1963).

Asphalt has been used for centuries as a water resistant material. More recent usage has shown that asphalt materials also are resistant to acids, bases, inorganic salts (to a 30% concentration) and to some organic compounds found in industrial wastes (Asphalt Institute, 1976). Asphalts are generally not resistant to organic solvents and chemicals, particularly hydrocarbons in which they are partially or wholly soluble. Consequently, asphalts are not effective liners for disposal sites containing petroleum derived wastes or petroleum solvating compounds such as oils, fats, aromatic solvents, or hydrogen halide vapors. Asphalt does show good resistance to inorganic chemicals and low permeability to corrosive gases such as hydrogen sulfide and sulfur dioxide.

are of low molecular weight, e.g. asphalt, and may interact adversely with many wastes. Some of the new materials that are being introduced are of high molecular weight or contain polymeric additives which improve their durability.

In this section, the following materials are discussed; airblown asphalt, emulsified asphalt, urethane modified asphalt, and rubber and plastics, in either liquid or latex form.

### 3.5.2 Air-blown Asphalt

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Membranes of catalytically-blown asphalt are the most commonly used sprayed-on linings. The asphalts used in making these membrane linings have high softening points and are manufactured by blowing air through the molten asphalt at temperatures in excess of 500°F in the presence of a catalyst such as phosphorous pentoxide or ferric chloride. To prepare the membrane, the asphalt is sprayed on a prepared soil surface at a temperature of 400°F, at a pressure of 50 psi through a slot-type nozzle, and at a rate of 1.5 gal yd-2 (Bureau of Reclamation, 1963, p. 80). The finished liner is usually 0.25 inch thick (dureau of Reclamation, 1963, p. 79), formed by two or more passes of the spray device and overlapping sections by one or two feet (Clark and Moyer, 1974). It can be placed during cold or wet weather, in large quantities, by mobile equipment (Bureau of Reclamation, 1963, p. 10). Sprayed-on membranes retain their tough flexible qualities indefinitely when properly covered and protected from mechanical damage (Asphalt Institute, 1976). The actual placing of the earth covers on a sprayed-on membrane may cause some damage to its integrity.

Studies have shown the addition of 3-5% rubber improves the properties of the asphalt by inducing greater resistance to flow, increased elasticity and toughness, decreased brittleness at low temperatures, and greater resistance to aging (Chan et al, 1978, p. 17).

Bituminous seals are used on asphalt concrete, portland cement concrete, soil asphalt, or soil cement linings to close pores, thus improving waterproofing or when there may be a reaction between the stored liquid and the lining. The two types of seals usually applied are:

- a. An asphalt cement sprayed over the surface about one qt  $yd^{-2}$  to form a membrane about 0.04 in. thick.
- b. An asphalt mastic containing 25 50% asphalt cement, the rest being a mineral filler, squeegeed on at 5 10 lb yd $^{-2}$ .

Installation of sprayed-on asphaltic membranes is usually done on a subgrade which has been dragged and rolled to obtain a smooth surface. If there is an excessive number of irregular rocks and angular pieces, a fine sand or soil "padding" is necessary for good membrane support (Bureau of Reclamation, 1963, p. 81). Covering protects the membrane from most mechanical damage.

A special deep penetration formula of liquid cutback asphalt was applied over natural-on-site soil at a rate of two gal  $yd^{-2}$ . The seepage rate, in this

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### I. ASSTRACT

The results of the exposure testing of 65 lining and related materials to MSW leachate for periods of up to 56 months are reported. The materials include 4 admix materials, 2 asphalt membranes, 50 commercial flexible polymeric membranes, and 9 miscellaneous naterials, but exclude soils and clays. The principal thrust of the project was to expose 12 primary liners for 12 and 56 months as barrier specimens in 24 landfill simulators loaded with shredded municipal solid waste and determined the effects of the xposures to leachate on their properties and functioning as liners. The primary liners in this study were: four admix materials - paving asphalt concrete, hydraulic asphalt concrete, soil asphalt, and soil cement; two asphaltic membranes - bituminous is and emulsified asphalt on a nonwoven fabric; six flexible membranes based on the following polymers - butyl rubber, chlorinated polyethylene, chlorosul fonated polyethylene, ethylene propylene rubber, low-density polyethylene, and polyvinyl chloride.

addition, 31 different specimens of membrane liners and 9 miscellaneous related interials were buried in the simulators and tested. The scope of the project was further expanded by the immersion testing of 28 polymeric membranes for up to 31 months at ambient temperature, testing of 14 thermoplastic sheetings for up to 40 weeks in a newly developed pouch test, and testing of the water absorption of 11 membranes for 43 weeks at room temperature and 70°C.

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	Anghalt Concrete	Nydraulic Asphalt Concrete	Soil Cement	Soil Asphale	Situminous Seel	Febric +
Installed in Coll No. Composition of Borrior Specimen	7,13 7.1 asphalt/ 100 aggregate	9.0 esphalt/ 100 eggregate	9, 19 95 soli, 5 keelin clay, 10 Type 5 coment, 8,8 vater	16,16 7,0 BC-800 liq. amphaley 100 aggregats	11,17 Gatalytically- blown asphale, 4.7 kg/m <sup>2</sup> (8.7 lb/yd <sup>2</sup> )	Asphalt (from emigton) A.0 hg/m² (0.0 lb/yd²) en polypropylene mon-roven fabric
Particle size distribution, 2  Fassing 4.76 cm, (4 mesh)  = 2.38 cm, (8 mesh)  = 1.19 cm, (16 mesh)  = 0.595 cm, (30 mesh)  = 0.297 cm, (30 mesh)  = 0.140 cm, (100 mesh)	90.7 61.0 65.1 30.1 19.4	89.4 67.1 50.9 33.7 21.5	48.9 70.5 53.7 38.8 29.2 20.5	79.2 51.4 39.9 27.3 18.5 13.4		
" 9.074 ms, (200 mech)	6.6	7.2	15.0 27	11.4 31		
iquid limit  flastic limit  Flasticity index  Function at 25°C  Function (entracted from bargler)  Fitening point, °C (°F)  Function index  fiscosity, capillary at 60°C, c8	68 44	68 62	17,6 mon-plastic men-plastic	17.0 mon-plastic mon-plastic il01	49 89 (192) 43,2	
<pre>/iscosity, gliding plate at 25°G, at     0.05 sec<sup>-1</sup>, MP /iscosity, sliding plate at 25°G, at</pre>	14.5	9.7		0.20	8,5	4,3
0.001 sec <sup>-1</sup> , MP licroductHity of 25°C, mp	20.0 40	14.5 76		0.14 7	19.3 2	6-0 39
thickness of barrior specimen, on (in.) Tensity, g./on' (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> ) Void ratio (vol. voids/vol. solids), %	5.6 (2.2) 2.367 (149.0) 6.4	6.1 (2.4) 2.416 (150,8) 2.9	11.4 (4.5) 2.169 (135.4)(dry)	10.2 (4) 2.228 (139.1) 10.4	0.8 (0.3)	- 0.0 (0.3)
Coefficient of permeability, em/soc. (Nof. 21)	0.03 (1) 1.2 ± 10 <sup>-8</sup>	0 3.3 × 10 <sup>-9</sup>	0 1.5 x 10-60+	0.43(17) 1.7 x 10-3	< 10-9	< 10-9
Compressive etrength, MPs (1b/is <sup>2</sup> ) Compressive etrength after 24 hr immersion <sup>e</sup> C retained	19.34 (2805) 15.30 (2230) 80	18.70 (2712) 16.05 (2328) 86	13-17 (1910) 9-12 (1323) 69	8.40 (1218) 1.27 (184) 15		·

Asphalt Genent and Mydraulis Asphalt Contact immersed in water at 60°C, Soil Asphalt and Soil Coment at R.T.

APPENDIX A (Continued). PROPERTIES® OF UNEXPOSED MEMBRANE LINERS

Pelymer			Pai	yvinyl chi	oride		PVC+Pitc
Liner number <sup>b</sup>		5.7	88	89	92A	93	5
	Direction of test	•					
Analytical properties Specific gravity		1.245	1.255	1.308	•••	1.283	1.29
Ash (db), \$		5.34	2.80	5.67	5.84	4.94	9.4
Volatiles, %		0.03	0.17	0.03	0.23	0.12	0.3
Extractables (db), \$		38.13	33.46	25.17	32.75	32.26	
Physical properties							_
Average thickness, mils		22	20	11	20	11	8
Tensile strength, psi	Machine Transverse	3020 2765	33 <b>95</b> 2910	3715 3085	2435 2145	3575 3035	118 100
Elangation at break, %	Mechine Transverse	385 415	125 335	315 325	245 255	325 350	15 17
Tensile set. 2	Machine Transverse	192 207	102 101	196 205	43 48	<b>98</b> 117	3 1
S-100, psi	Machine Transverse	1250 1110	1870 1600	1845 1530	1515 1365	1750 1420	117 86
S-200, psi	Machine Transverse	1820 1585	2190 2190	2715 2195	2170 1885	2580 2055	
Tear strength (Die C), ppi	Machine Transverse	340 295	460 470	410 390	435 375	400 360	21 21
Puncture resistance Stress, 1bs Elongation, in Thickness, mils		27.8 0.68 22	28.6 0.56	17.0 0.48 11	27.4 0.62 20	0.55 15.90	62.: 0.4
Hardness, Durometer points 5 sec reading		75A	80A	82A	82A	78A	<b>-6</b> 9.
Exposure conditionsd		Su,im	Bu.im	Im	Su	5u . Po	Ş:

Analytical properties: specific gravity and ash, ASTM 0297; volatiles, percent loss of weight after two hours at 105°C; extractables, Matrecon method (ASTM 03421, modified). Physical properties: tensile, elongation, modulus, and set. ASTM 0412; tear strength, ASTM 0624; puncture resistance, FTMS 1018, Method 2065; hardness, ASTM 02240.

bContractor's liner numbers. R = fabric-reinforced.

CElongation at maximum stress.

dExposure conditions: PR - Primary Bu - Secondary

Im - Immersion

Po - Pouch test CB - Collection bag LS - Liner for simulator

APPENDIX 8-1. CONTUSTION AND PROPENTIES OF AURISED AND ASPIRAL FINEMENTE LINERS - UNEXPUSED AND AFTER EXPOSABLE

	Asphalt concrete	Nydrautic asphalt concrete	Sail commit	Soil asphalt
fasic camposition	7.1 parts 60-70 pen paring asphalt, 100 parts appreyate	9.0 parts 60-70 pen paring asphalt, 300 parts aggregate	95 parts soil, 5 parts Koolin Clay, 10 parts type 5 coment, 8.8 parts water	7.0 parts 50-000 liquid asphalt, 100 parts aggregate
Inichness, in.	2.2	2.4	4.5	4
lests of appropries				
Particle size distribution of appregate				
Passing 4 wesh, X	90.7	89.4	49.9	79.2
	61.0	67.1	20.8	55.8
* 16 * 3	45.1	50.9	53.7	39.9
• 10 • 1	30.1	11.7	30.8	. 27.3
• 50 • 3	19.4	21.5	29.2	10.5
• 100 • 1	II.2	12.4	20.0	<b>Ü1.4</b>
* 200 * 1	6.6	7.2	15.0	11.4
Faith huses				
Soil tests			-3	
Sand equivalent	•••	•••	2)	
Liquid limit	***	***	17.6	17.0
Plastic limit	***	***	hon-plastic	iton-pjastic
Plasticity index	***	•••	Non-plastic	Non-plastic
Aspnalt tests				
Penetration at 25°C/100 g/b sec				
Before minune	64	64	***	***
Extracted from core	44	62	•••	•••
Microductility at 25°C, ma	40	26	***	1
Properties of unexposed samples				
	2.367	2.416	2.169 (dry)4	2.220
Nonsity, g/cm <sup>3</sup> in/ft <sup>3</sup>	2.397 149.0	150.4	135.4 (47)	139.1
10/11/	147.0		[35.4 (W)]-	20010
toids ratho (vol. voids/vol. solids), S		2.9	***	JO.4
Water swell, mil	1	0	0	17
Coefficient of permeability, cm sec-1	1.2 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>	J. 3 a 10-9	1.5 x 10 <sup>-64</sup>	1.7 a 10 <sup>-3</sup>
Compressive strength Initial, psi	2805	2710	19104	1220
After 24 h Immersion in water <sup>b</sup> , asi	2230	2330	i3204	· 185
				***
Netention of strength after Immersion, %	80	<b>66</b>	694	15

See toutnotes at end of table.

APPENNIX N-1 (Continues). C'ESPOSITION AND PROPERTIES UF ANNIXED AND ASPIALT PERMANE LINERS - UNEXPUSED AND AFICE EXPOSIGE

	Asphalt cuncrete	Hydraulic asphalt concrete	Sail casent	Solf asphalt
BASIC Cumposition	7.1 parts 60-70 pen paring asphalt, 100 parts per aggregate	9.0 parts 60-70 pen paring asphalt, 100 parts per aggregate	95 parts soil, 5 parts Kaolin Clay, 10 parts type 5 coment, 8.8 parts mater	7.0 parts SC-MID liquid aspealt, 100 parts aggregate
Properties after 12 months of exposury <sup>C</sup> Density, as received, g/cm <sup>3</sup> Density, dry, g/cm <sup>3</sup>	2.41A 2.406	2.410 2.119	•••	2.161 1.973
Wolds ratio as received, 1 Wolds ratio, dry, 1 (number of samples)	3.2 4.2 (3)	1.5 1.9 (4)	***	15.2 26.1 (3)
Nater cuntent, y water per 100 y dry solids (number at samples)	1.00 (3)	v.45 (4)		9.6 (3)
Water saluble solids extracted, 2 (number of samples)	d.008 (L)	(2) to.	•••	0.14 (3)
Compressive streagth, psi Percent of uriginal	423 15	349 13	1184 62	15 1.2
Coefficient of purmeability, cm sec-1 (two samples)	7.4 s 10 <sup>-7</sup> 9.3 s 10 <sup>-9</sup>	3.5 n to-9 c) n to-10	1.5 a 10-8 (T) <sup>4</sup> 4.0 a 10-7 (B)	1.3 a 10 <sup>-8</sup> 2.8 x 10 <sup>-8</sup>
Properties after 56 months of exposures  Bensity, as received, g/cm <sup>2</sup> Density, dry, g/cm <sup>2</sup>	2.542 2.417	2.4/1 2.365	•••	2.307 210.5
Voids ratio, as received, 1 Voids ratio, dry, 1 (number of samples)	4.3 5.3 (2)	4.6 3.6 (2)	•••	\$.0 14.3
Mater content, g mater per IW y dry solids	1.06	0.96	•••	6.51
Hater soluble solids extracted, 3 (masher of samples)	0.416 (2)	0.W8 {Z}	•••	0.10 (2)
Congressive strength, psi (number of samples) Percent of original	258 (2) 9	172 (2)	1102 (4) 62	% (2)
Coefficient of parmeability, co sec-1	<10-7	¥-01>.	1.2 ± 10-5 (1) <sup>4</sup> 2.7 ± 10-5 (0) 4.3 ± 10-7 (1) 1.2 ± 10-5 (0)	8.6 x 10 <sup>-8</sup> (7) <sup>6</sup> 2.7 x 10 <sup>-7</sup> (3)

<sup>\*</sup>Measured on specimen molded according to ASTM D 558. Wat density, 2.345 g cm<sup>-3</sup> (146.4 % ft<sup>-3</sup>).

DAsphalt concrete and hydraulic asphalt concrete immersed in water at 60°C; sell community and soil asphalt immersed at room temperature.

Cheasured un 2-Inch cord, cut from liner specimens,

Data for top (1) and button (8) of core are shown.

APPENDIS B-2. PROPERTIES OF ASPARLF'IN AUNIX MATERIALS AND PENDHANES AFTER 12, 43,

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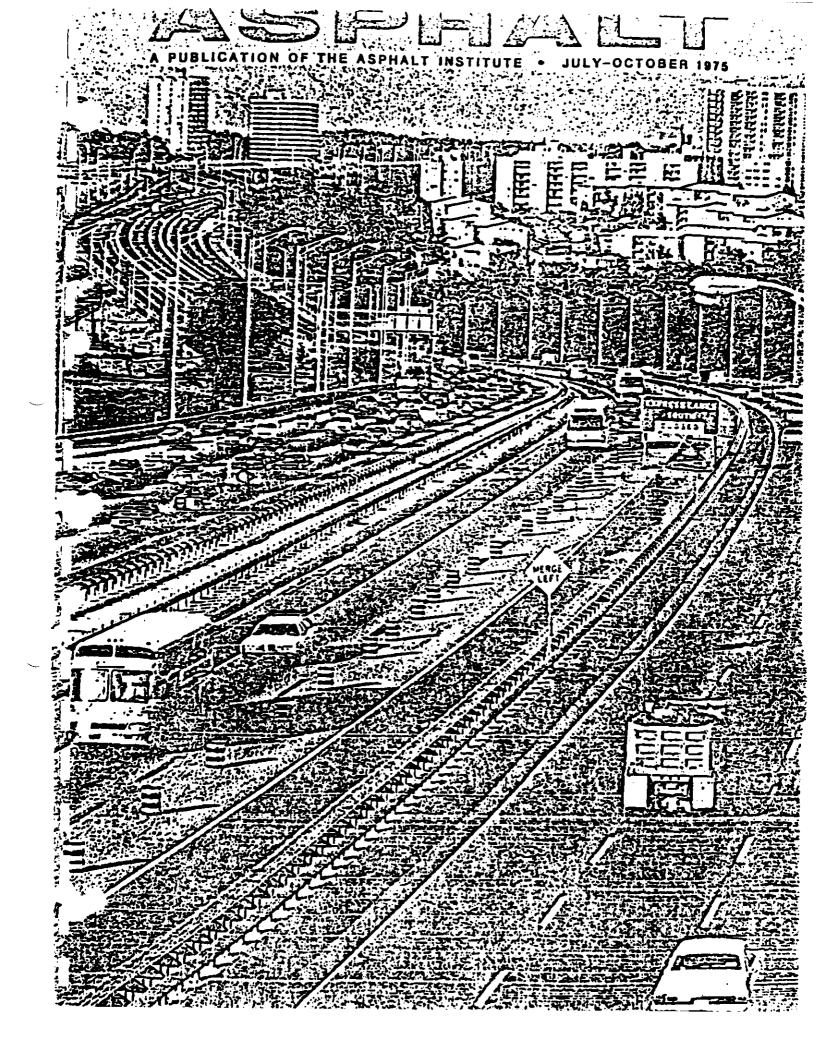
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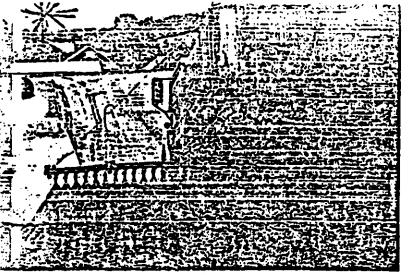
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"Battling Groundwater Pollution"

"Hot Mix Keeps Landfill Sanitary"

"Asphalt For Environmental Liners"



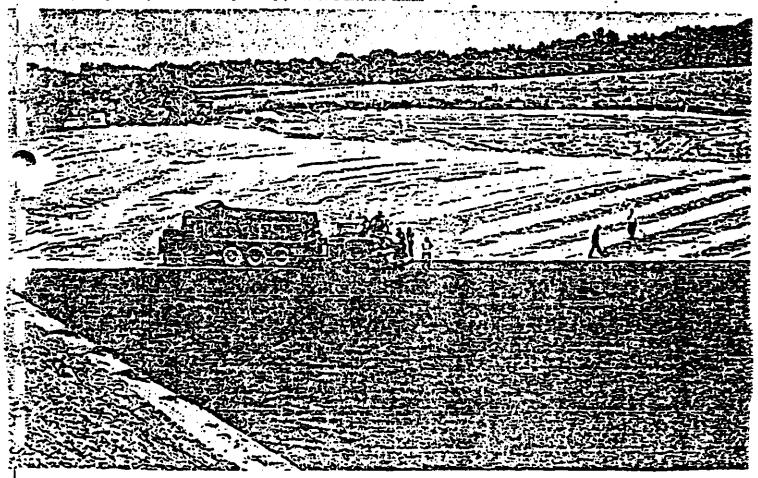


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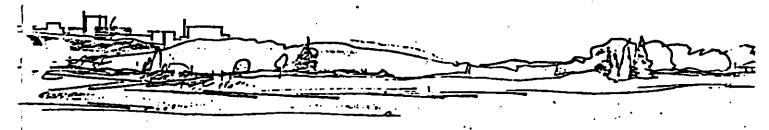
The 60-acre Columbia County Senitary Lendilli is being built in stages. A two-incl dense-graded asphalt concrete links is being staced on a three-acre section

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Pa. County Thinks Asphalt-Lined Sanitary Landfill Will Prove Win





Personnel concerned with the sanitary landfill and present during construction, left to right, are: Richard Bittle, Environmental Protection, Specialist, Division of Solid Waste Management, Pennsylvania Destitation in Environmental Resources; Patrick McKenne, Landfill Manager; and David Treefer, Sivil Engineer, LeVan, Lee.

THE PROBLEM of solid waste disposal is one of the major dilemmas of our clean-air-and-clean-water-conscious society.

Nearly every community faces it. Some cities near the ocean dump garbage and pump raw sewage into the sea. But 90 percent of the solid waste in the United States is disposed of on land. In years past, it was simply transported to an open dump and burned. But not anymore.

Open dumps are being replaced by sanitary landfills in which layers of waste are covered with layers of earth. Afterwards the landfill can be converted into parkland or some other useful purpose. Yet, even sanitary landfills can pose a pollution problem. Rainwater draining into contaminated material can carry it down into the groundwater. This leaching process can pollute wells and streams.

The Columbia County Solid Waste Authority in Pennsylvania has overcome this leachate problem by building an asphalt-lined sanitary landfill that meets stringent requiresnts established by the Pennsylvania Department of Enconmental Resources.

The facility, called the Columbia County Sanitary Landlill, is located on a county-owned farm four miles east of
the Buckhorn Interchange of Interstate 80 in northeast
Pennsylvania. Built in stages, the landfill will eventually
grow to 50 acres in size. The first stage, completed last
June, consisted of 1.8 acres now nearly filled with weste.
A second stage of approximately three acres was paved
in July, and a section of about the same size will be built
this fall.

From his office in Harrisburg, Mr. Lubold provides Institute engineering service in Pennsylvania. He joined the Institute in 1965, and is a civil engineering graduate of Pennsylvania State University. A specialist in highway engineering and materials, he was previously with the Pennsylvania Highway Department.

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Columbia Asphalt Corporation, of Bloomsburg, is paying the second and third sections, bid as one job. The work involves preparation of the subgrade, incorporation of french drains (a trench backfilled with stones) to prevent hydrostatic pressure, paying a two-inch dense-graded asphalt concrete lining, and placing a 0.75 gal/square yard asphalt cement membrane.

A conventional paver places the hot-mix which is compacted with a vibratory roller. The asphalt cement seal is sprayed in two applications over the paved surface to ensure watertightness. The distributor has a 12-foot extension bar.

Leachate draining to the asphalt fining is collected by pipes which feed into two large holding tanks. It is then pumped back over the landfill to speed up decomposition. Eventually, leachate will have to be shipped to a sewage treatment plant for further processing.

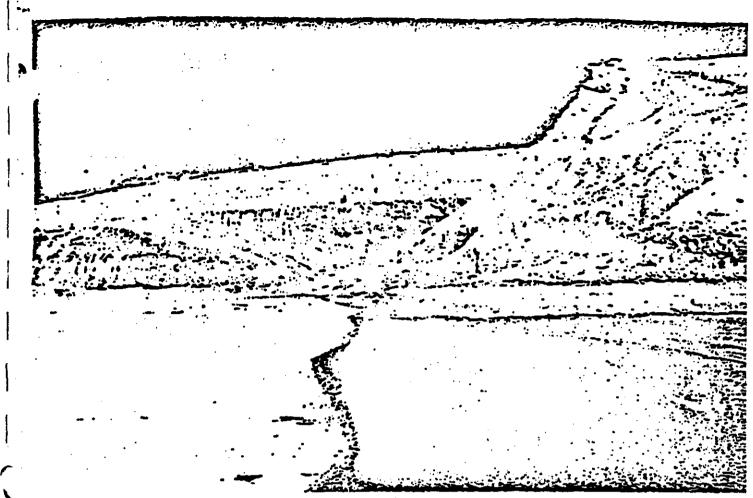
The consulting engineering firm of LeVan, Inc., of Harrisburg, was engaged to perform a feasibility study and later designed the facility to meet state requirements as set by the legislature.

Projecting the rate of applications made to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources for sanitary landfill permits, there are indications that upwards of 700 sanitary landfills could be required within the next decade. Assuming a median site size of 100 acres, it is quite possible that ever-increasing volumes of both industrial and municipal refuse will require an additional 70,000 acres of engineered sanitary landfills in Pennsylvania alone during this ten year period.

For an example of how an abandoned gravel pit and rock quarry was converted to a sanitary landlill, see article, "Line It and Put It To Use," in April 1973 issue of Asphalt magazine.



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Lanchester Corporation's landfill facility demonstrates the application of the hot-mix asphalt liner. At left (light area) is the prepared subgrade ready for paving. At right is the hot-mix liner with the 14 inches of clean earth atop (near background) and the landfill materials being placed atop it (right rear).

### Hot-Mix Keeps Landfills Sanitary

anitary landfills are sites for the disposal of waste liquid and solid materials, there to slowly decompose safely and out of .t. One big problem with sanitary andfills is keeping them sanitary. Precautions must be taken to avoid any contamination from waste materials getting into the surrounding environment, particularly creeks.

rivers and ground waters.

The State of Pennsylvania is taking large strides in the development and construction of proper sanitary landfill sites, and one of their quality innovations has been the use of hot-mix asphalt as a landfill liner. Hot-mix is proving to be an ideal barrier material, to keep liquids in or liquids out; in the case of sanitary landfills, it does both.

Hot-mix makes the perfect liner for the landfills because it is easy to put down, follows the contours of the land, is not subject to breakthrough from compacted objects (as many films and fabrics are) and makes a liquidtight seal. This latter point is especially important in the containing of leachate, a liquid residue which accumulates from the landfill operations if is, in many cases, collected and it. ted before release into waterways or re-used as a wetting-down agent for a martill.

in the important Pennsylvania in the nent has been the usage of a stronger highway wearing course, IDis see table for composition), for the andfill liner paving. Although this mixture is not a "hydraulic" mix and is es' not meet permeability requirements, this is overcome by reating it with a seal of AC-20 applied is a quantity of 0.6 gallon per square of in two applications of 0.3 gallon per square yard each.

By formulating this mixture around Pennsylvania Department of Fransportation ID-2 specifications, nonsylvania Department of Enpartmental Resources (which has urisdiction over sanitary landfills) is useful of receiving quality material 1 workmanship and also led to an economic advantage since contractors are dealing with a familiar mix.

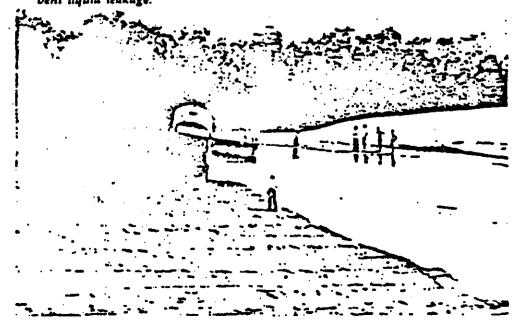
leader in the concept of quality operations is Lewis R. Frame, or the Lanchester Corporation's lite war Honey Brook, Pa., (about 40 piles northeast of Philadelphia). The mmercial Lanchester operation tovers some 525 acres in all and has in operation approximately 18 pinths. At expected rate of use (about 2,300 tons of refuse accepted per day), its useful life will be approximately 25 are

From the start, I thought the key element in a landfill operation was to the job right," Lew Frame said. -ince! intend to be in business for a long time, want my facility to be an set, not a detriment to the communiil, and also have to meet especially straggat environmental conderalisms, it was imperative that no d rners be cut in our operation. Since this facility will also be handling hazardous materials, it was also essenil that quality and care be used uphout." How well he's succeeded als can be seen by the fact that 45 received numerous writeups in ...agazines and newspapers commenting on the quality of his operation. us received visitations from en-

	epring — ID-2
Passing	Required
Sieve	Composition
1/2"	100
3/8"	80-100
4	45-80
8	30-60
16	20-45
30	10-35
50	5-25
100	414
200	3-10
Bitumen,	% By Weight
Stone	4.5-8.0
Slog	7.0-10.5

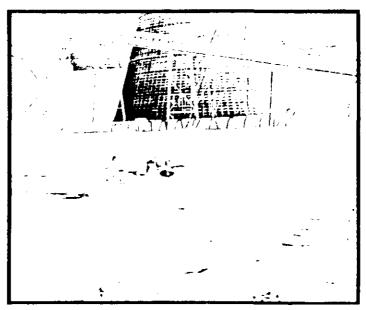


(Above) Paved landfill site near Bloomsburg, Pa., ready for landfill operations to begin. (Below) Sealing the hot-mix liner with a spray application of AC-20 to prevent liquid leakage.



# Asphalt

# for L Environmental Liners







...because whatever you put into a pond, reservoir, lagoon, or landfill you want to keep there!

# Asphalt

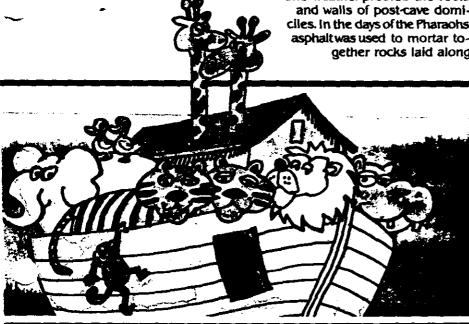
# was used for water-proofing] long before it was used for load-bearing.

Thousands of years before. Asphalt, or "pitch" in its natural form, caulked the seams of the world's sailing ships and weather-proofed the roofs and walls of post-cave domiciles. In the days of the Pharaohs, asphaltwas used to mortar together rocks laid along their own baths, reservoirs and aqueducts.

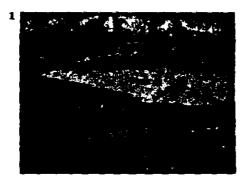
It wasn't until comparatively recently that John MacAdam engineered modern road design and "paved the way" for the use of asphalt in its familiar load-bearing form.

Today, asphalt is again finding favor as a material for storing and processing all kinds of materials because it offers both essential propertieswater-proofing and load-bearing.

Hot Mix Asphalt liners take on the toughest jobs-keeping sanitary landfills sanitary; storing toxic materials and preventing their escape into the surrounding environment; making it possible to treat and even recycle liquids and solid wastes; and, of course, keeping clean water clean. No other environmental/hydraulic lining material even comes close!



the banks of the Nile to prevent erosion. Even earlier, it was used by civilizations of Mesopotamia and the Indus Valley to water-proof temple baths and water tanks. Notorious for plagiarism. the Romans borrowed the idea for



- 1 Recycling and composting non-toxic waste materials by a natural drying process
- 2 At Ludington, Michigan, water storage facility, water pumped in during off hours is released to run electricity-generating turbines during peak hours



### All things considered, there's only one possible reason to use anything other than asphalt for your containment system.

You can exces this one nossible "reason." A Hot Mix timer may cost more initially than uniural materials or fabric membrane linear but it is more costeffective in the long run and certainly the safest-and surest liner you can use.

Spotting the competition that much of a head start . . . on paper, at least . . . let's see why Not Mix Asphalt ends up far in

### LIQUIDS acent penetrate asphalt

Now, you may question this statement knowing that asphalt pavement on streets, roads, and parking lots especially seem vulnerable to certain liquids. But this vulnerability is only through cracks in the surface caused by oxidation combined with steady traffic. Used as a liner, there is little if any oxidation and, of course, no steady traffic. Purthermore, to virtually eliminate porosity, a higher percentage of asphaltic binder is used and the material more densely compacted. Generally, liner specifications require voids of less than 2.5 percent which is well within installation capabilities.

### ASPHALT ..... is puncture proof

Membranes may do the job well enough, for a while, However, they suffer from a serious drawback-sharp objects may puncture them and constant abrasion may wear holes. Worse yet, you're not likely to become aware of leakage until considerable environmental damage has been done.

## nevthing it contains

There are two dimensions to the matter of staying power. First, your liner has to remain impermeable for as long as you went it to Clays, for example, tend to break down and lose their leak-proof properties in time. Then you also face the problem of unwented plant life taking over Being inert and stable, Hot Mix Asphalt minds its own business.

Second, your liner may be subject to waves or currents, and it's always subject to vertical and lateral pressures. With its compressive strength and flexibility Hot Mix Apphalt survives these hazards better than any other material. It may scrunch down a bit but it won't crack!

### ASPHALT COMPANY to irregular surfaces

Environmental containment systerns are, after all, basins with curves and undulations as well as flat surfaces. Ponds and lagoons, those used for storm water control and perhaps nesthetics, are limble to be deliberstely irregular, with bumps and mounds along the bottom and sides. and a free-form shoreline. Here's another way Hot Mix Asphalt excels. It can be installed uniformly over almost any terrain configuration. (As you know rigid liners have special problems with this!)

### ITS load-bearing properties makes amphalt easy to clean

Anyone with experience . . . perhaps sad experience...with any kind of long-term containment system realizes it has to be cleaned out periodically. No problem getting equipment In (and out) over a Hot Mix Asphalt liner. Something else is worth pointing out. Because of extra compaction

during installation, the surface of a Hot Mix liner is smoother than usual which makes the actual clean-Ing process easier.

### ASPHALT wort jobs forces with waste materials

Asphalt can handle toxic materials normally difficult to store, including sludge, brine, cost sturry, and marry acids. This means that whatever you put into your containment system stays there as is rather than chemically

From all this it would seem that Hot Mix Alphalt liners survive everything short of an earthquake which, you can well believe, is no joke in certain locations. Reither are freeze-thaw cycles in northern areas. Both kinds of natural phenomena will destroy any material too fragile or rigid.

Asphalt will survive intact because it's flexible, able to abourb shocks and vibrations without josing its essential properties.

One Author liner hazard - fami-Mar to any property owner-is WEEDS. Vegetation can destroy a

liver faster and more thoroughly than any other enemy. Sefore installing any liner you should sterlike the underlying ground but even this preventive measure may not be enough. If your liner allows liquids to seep through, vegetation may again take root below and behind. Soon your liner oprings leaks - lots of them! -- the new growth enlarges the leaks, and, adding insult to injury, clogs the interior of your pond, ingoon, or reservoir.



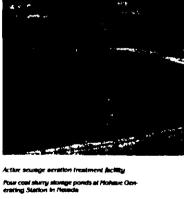
### BEING mert, asphalt doesn't taint drinking water

This is a specialized attribute but critical for reservoirs. Nothing generates uproor faster or more vocally than tangy or discolored drinking wateri No wonder Hot Mix Asphalt has been lining reservoirs and dams for

\*Certain petroleum solvents, however, can affect Hot Mix liners and Other toxic liquids may affect certain types of aggre-



- 3 Active sewage aeration treatment facility
- 4. Pour coal sharry storage ponds at Hohave Generating Station in Neurola
- 8 Asphalt lining underway at South Mountain ervoir in the Phoenix, Artzona, area
- 6 Sewage treatment lagoon under construction in Union City, Michigan



### The EPA decision HOT MIX Asphalt replaced acknowledges landfill liner experience

Citing more than 300 "problem" landfills, some of them endangering the health of thousands of people, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has banned the use of clay as a primary liner for both sanitary and hazardous waste landfills. EPA's view is that pollulants enter the pore structure of clay and eventually work their way through. Such liners may be water retardant but hardly water-proof.

If natural materials and fabric membranes don't do the job, is there solld evidence that Hot Mix Asphalt does do the job? EPA thinks so, listing Hot. Mix Asphalt as an acceptable liner for sanitary landfills, but let's see what experiences and results prove our contention.

MORE than ten years ago Pennsvivania was lining sanitary landfills with asphalt. Their standards are widely used in other states today.

### **PENNSYLVANIA**

was also a leader in developing "closed loop" treatment systems. A secondary pond collects leachates drained from the bottom of the primary pond. They can be kept and released from there or sprayed back over new effluents in the primary pond, collected and run through the loop again until ready for release. Hot Mix Asphalt lines the secondary pond as well since it does require frequent

concrete years ago in the Ames, fowa, Solid Waste Resource Recovery System, the first full-scale municipal facility producing refuse derived fuel for an electric utility. The garbage contained so many jagged edges and abrasives that other liners-proprietary surface mixes, trap rock epoxy, and even metal-impregnated pcc - soon wore through. Finally, and in admitted desperation, they tried an asphalt overlay on one section. It worked so well they resurfaced the entire floor with asphalt and found it lasted two or three times as long as any other material. In the long run, asphalt proved about FIVE TIMES LESS EXPEN-SIVE than any other liner material

COAL firms in Kentucky learned that flot Mix Asphalt makes the ideal

Sewage aeration ingoon at Westfield, New York, a tuoicai small-community ireatment lacility base for coal storage piles at terminais. Asphalt contains the coal and provides a load-bearing surface for getting it in and out, and also keeps It from absorbing ground moisture.

SPEAKING of storing coal. coal slurry is one of the tricklest of all materials to store and recover of all organic fuels. It's messy and unsightly, and there's always the risk of fire if the coal dries out. The most effective system is a pond where the sturry stands until coal solids settle and excess water can be skimmed off the top. In Nevada, a 20-day coal storage system consists of four ponds about 400 feet across and 40 feet deep. Hot Mix Asphalt, of course, was the only practical liner ... impermeable

Sanitary landfill showing trench to collect and drain leachate into collection pond.



**Hot Mix Asphalt** is the answer for those unable to afford complete treatment facilities

Smaller companies and local governments are caught in the blisd between having to treat waste materials effectively and being unable to afford a tertiary treatment facility and its associated chemi-

Many communities have constructed aeration ingoons using apphalt us the liner, as the EPA suggests. A new approach is aquaculture whereby certain plants are used to reduce ultragen and phosphorus, indications are that a one ucre pond just three feet deep and timed with asphalt can treat the effluent generated by 500 people. Now, organizations with Haribed

menns have an acceptable after native to expensive treatment plants. They can even recoup some of their investment by harvesting the protein-rich plants-cattalia. bullrushes, duckweed, or water hyacinths -- and using them for animai feed.

### "Ponds make a great amenity but they're a pain in the...!"

Because developers of major residential industrial commercial and business projects have to meet initial. environmental criteria for Stormwater management, they naturally think of pends and the opportunity to comtime retention with aesthetics. Any project is enhanced by a point out. front or a landscaped crees winding. its was through the property Bill mithing is more of a hother! Fonds and creeks have to be maintained and this raised the question as to how and for how much

The flow is easy. Hot No. Asphalt. meets all the design installation, and maintenance criteria but what about aesthetics (Asphalt is still ideal You. can have just below the surface and

alion a natural shoreline Many attractive ponds are totally lined with as phaif since it is compat-



thic with traffical growth. It even fastes abligingly when exposed to sun and

Asphali offers yet another imigae healige. It can be brended with differ. ent kinds and percentages of aggreits without ross of edeques for example porons asphaltacts as a waterincomeable life ryshigh permits some plant penetration without cracking

The next time you drain your point. for eleaning why not reline it with Hot She Asphail? You'll like the ease of now, and your tenants or customers. who share the maintenance burden. will ake the lower, how much. Appear. ance used executively will be delighted?

With its unparalleled combina-

tion of strength, durability, flexibility resistance to hazardous materials, and, of course, impermeability, one might wonder why Hot Mix Asphalt hasn't been used all along to line containment systems, in a way, asphalt is the victim of its own success as the most popular roadway paying material, Its load bearing attributes tend to obscure its original waterproofing allributes.

And, understandably, people have been inclined towards what they perceived as less-costly allematives. That these alternatives don't work . . . as EPA points out ... prompts us to take a closer look at Hot Mix Asphalt, to see it s

the most cost effective material for liners. Really the only male-

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### APPENDIX J

Hazardous Waste Quantity Calculations Based on Materials not Delivered to Pagel's Which EPA Included in its Estimate; Summary of Alternate HRS Scores

# Hazardous Waste Quantity Calculations Based On Materials Not Delivered To Pagel's Which EPA Included In Its Estimate

75-33 Gale Products 1,592 gals **#1.** 54,080 gals  $(1040/wk \times 52 wks)$ 55,672 gals 75-34 Commercial Wire 18 55-gal drums (Metal hydroxide sludge) [900 gals] (18 x 50) 20,000 gals metal sludge #3. 75-35 Belvidere Hardware -75-36 Automatic Electric -16,000 gals caustic sludge #4.

#5. 75-37 Automatic Electric - 18,000 gals acid sludge
#6. 75-80 Midwest Plating - 16,000 gals plating waste

#7. 75-81 Midwest Plating - 4,000 gals plating waste

130,572 gals

40 C.F.R. Pt. 300, App. A, Section 3.4 conversion factor: 1 drum = 50 gals

 $130,572 \text{ gals } \div 50 = 2611.44 \text{ drums}$ 

2737 drums (final EPA score sheet)

2611 drums (material not received as calculated above)

126 drums

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HRS score for Hazardous Waste Quantity of  $\underline{\underline{2}}$ 

Appendix J - Summary of Alternate HRS Scores

HRS Work Sheets	EPA 1984	A*	Scoring	Based B*	on C*	Pacts	D*
Ground Water Route							
observed release	45	0		0	0		0
route characteristics							
depth to aquifer of concern	NA	2		2	2		2
net precipitation	NA	2		2	2		2
permeability of unsaturated zone	NA	2		2	2	4	2
physical state	NA	3		3	3		3
route score	NA	9		9	9		9
containment	NA	0		2	0		2
waste characteristics							
toxicity/persistence	18	18		18	12	1	12
hazardous waste quantity	6	2		2	2		2
characteristics score	24	20		20	14		14
targets							
ground water use	9	9		9	9		9
distance to nearest well/popula- tion served	30	20		20	20	2	20
target score	39	29		29	29		29
otal Ground Water Score (includes multipliers)	73.47	0	18.	21	0	12.7	75
OTAL HRS SCORE	42.47	0	10.	<b>5</b> 2	0	7.3	7

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### NOTES

- \*A = best case score for threatened release of arsenic
- \*B = worst case score for threatened release of arsenic (substitution of 9 for targets based upon 0 score for distance to nearest well/population served would result in lower worst case score of 3.26)
- \*C = best case score for threatened release of phenols
- \*D = worst case score for threatened release of phenols
  (substitution of 9 for targets based upon 0 score for distance to nearest
  well/population served would result in lower worst case score of 2.29)